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We Search for a Key to Life

THE THINGS THAT COUNT

*To build a life of hope and plans,
To give and work and play,
To add a bit of gladness
To the passing of the day, . . .
These are the things that seem to count,
That reach within your heart
And add a world to living
Of which wealth has little part.*

*To be a part of all that's good,
Not just a search for fame;
A place that means that others
Truly speak well of your name
To be a symbol of success, . . .
These are things in life that count,
These are the things that tell
That when your life is all lived out
That you have lived it well.*

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A person goes through life, as he does school, with certain things that mean something special to him. But to pass through life, or school, with no other goal than to take everything one can will bring no gladness. Success alone—in business, war, or school—will not bring happiness, but the way a person achieves this success is what really counts.

Spirit is very important in school, just as it is in life. It makes life more exciting and keeps people from giving up. But false spirit is worse than none at all. It is very easy to have spirit when everything is going right, but the true spirit is shown as things go wrong. If the Jackets go through life with the kind of spirit displayed this year, they will come out ahead in the “game of life.”

Honors are important to students and adults; they let a person be recognized for the work that he has done. But spurious honors do harm to the person winning them. If a person receives an honor that he does not deserve, he will feel ashamed and inadequate. For an honor to be worth something, it must be earned.

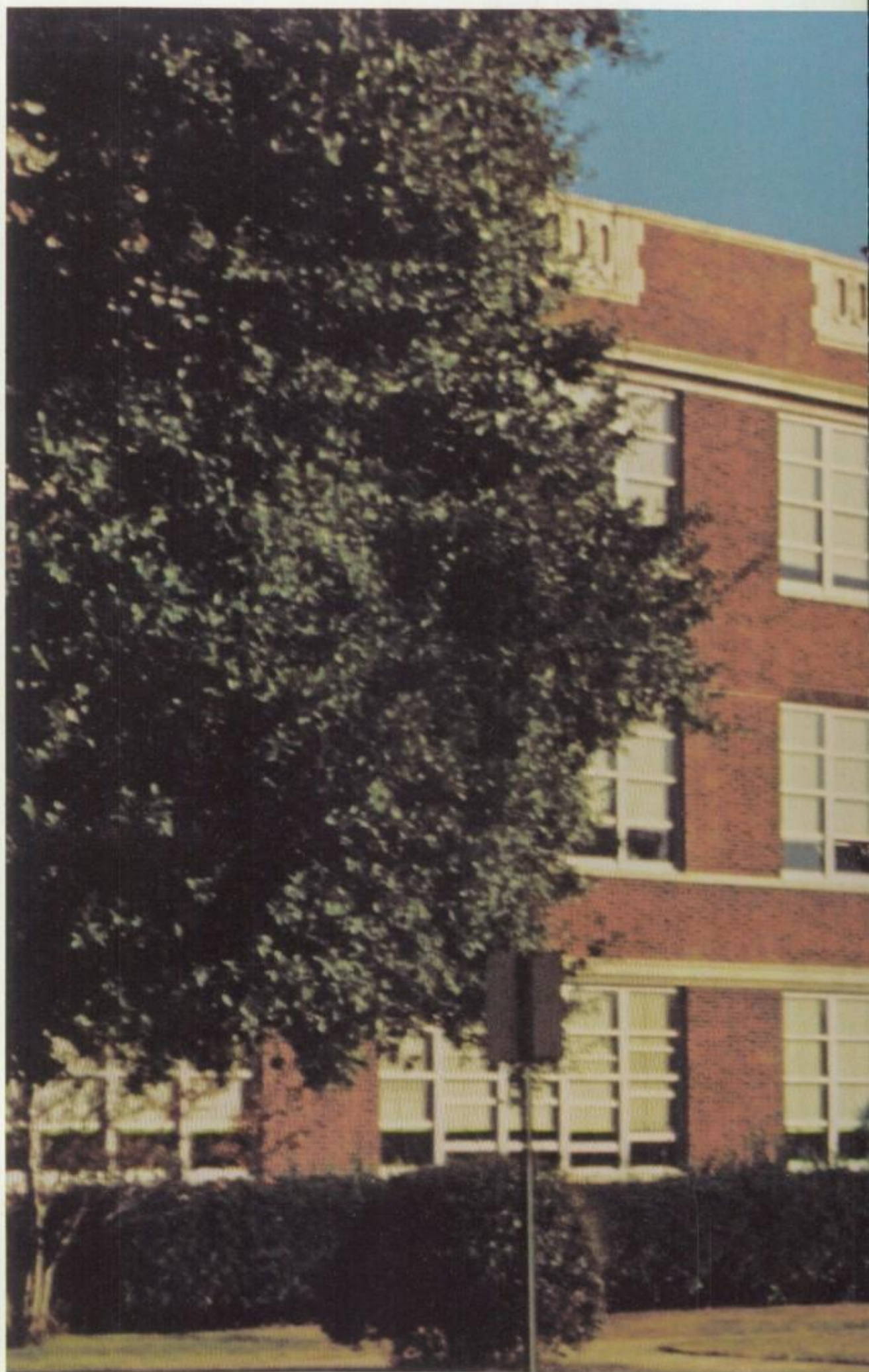
Sports help students and adults alike in many ways. They not only provide entertainment and enjoyment, but they also teach a person that he must work with others for victory and that he must never give up. Sports are like life, because “you get out of it what you put in it.”

These are some of “the things that count” for a teenager or an adult. The spirit that surged through Byrd in its forty-second year made each individual aware of these “things”—honors and achievement in academics, activities, and sports—that “count” in high school and “count” in the years that follow. The *Gusher* presents the Jackets’ “search for fame” through ACTIVITIES, COMPETITION, PERSONALITIES, and ADVERTISING.

As a precious stone has many facets, so has Byrd many fields of endeavor and accomplishment. It is a place where some of Shreveport's youth gather in the common cause of realizing and developing their potentialities as the business, political, and spiritual leaders of tomorrow. There are fine, concerned teachers capable of equipping them with the necessary knowledge and inspiration to continue their studies and assume these responsibilities.

The Student Council and a wide assortment of service and special interest clubs provide a sounding board for student voices as well as a proving ground for leadership and organizing abilities. Interscholastic and intramural sports abound for the development of a healthy, competitive attitude and to promote physical well being. And perhaps most important of all, there is the spirit that pervades these halls—a spirit of loyalty, faith, and fellowship that unites the whole, endowing students, faculty, and staff with a sense of pride and accomplishment for the tasks ahead.

And like a precious gem, Byrd possesses certain qualities that are passed on, to some degree, to the students by a kind of educational osmosis—the qualities of endurance, brilliance, depth, clarity, and a lasting record on this earth.



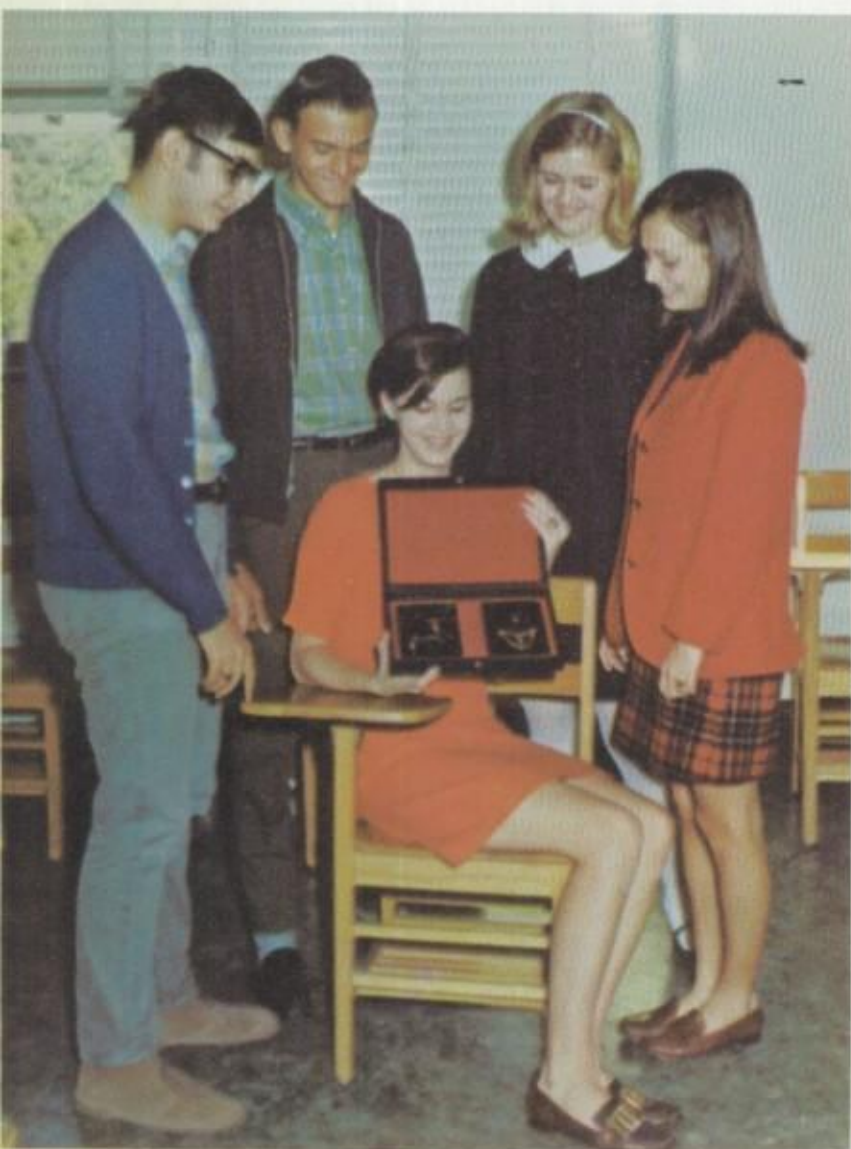
SPLENDORED THING



Splendid Are The Halls



Students meet in the Gym for cheerleader tryouts. This is an exercise in democracy where candidates display their ability and talents, and later students make their choice by popular vote. Seated on the front row are Byrd's telephone students, who participate in almost every phase of the school's activities.



Above: A welcome innovation was the school busses which for the first time in many years are transporting students to and from Byrd.
Left: Symbolic of three rewarding years of academic and social achievement are the senior keys here being displayed by Mary Morrison to fellow classmates Marvin Rubenstein, Marvin Street, Judy Hitchcock, and Sharon Porter.

Cafeteria personnel are trained in preparing and serving delicious nourishing meals. The lunch hour serves as a welcome break between classes as well as a time for stimulating conversation and the exchange of ideas.



There Is A Place For Meeting



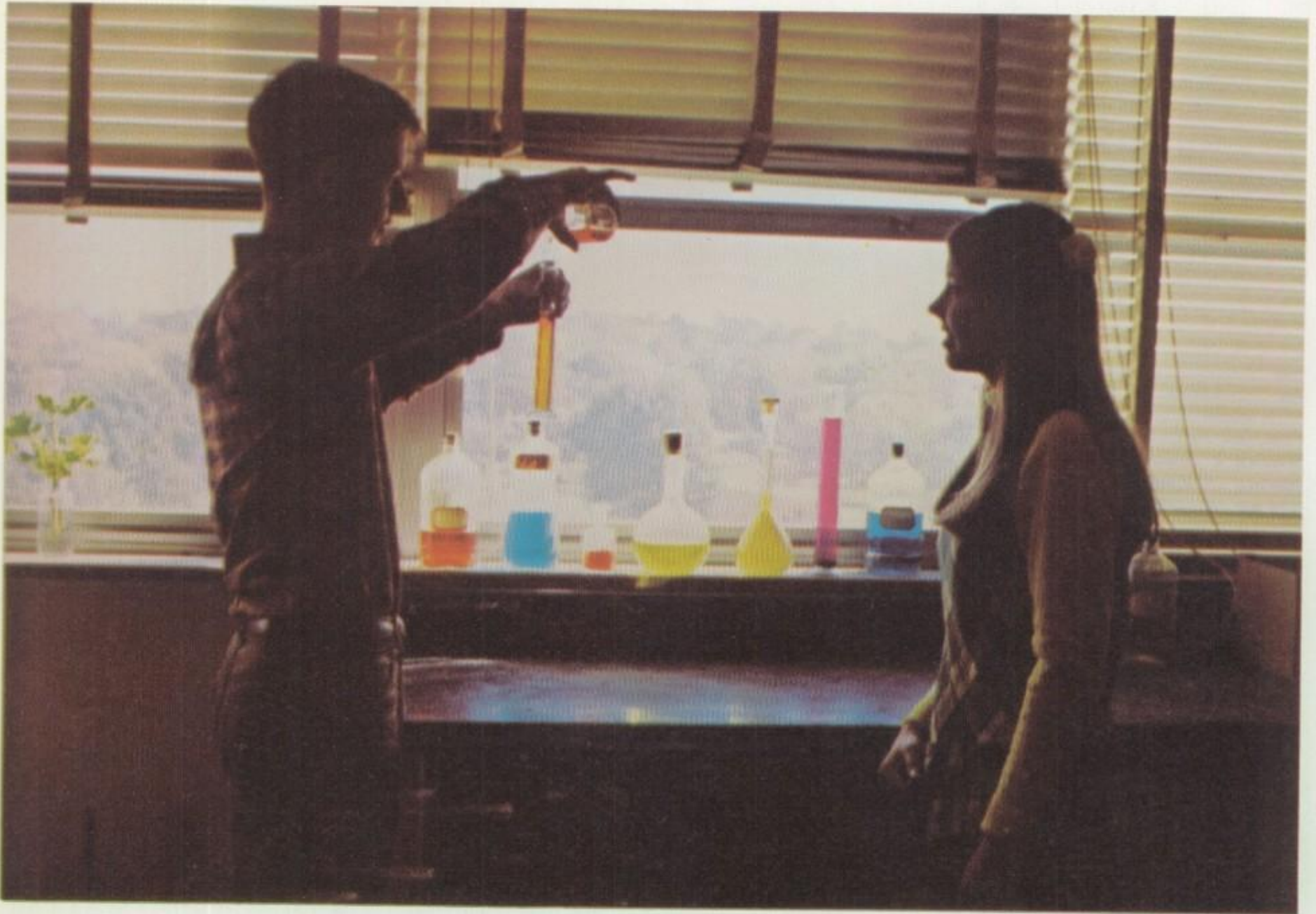
Around the flagpole on the morning of a football game students rally for a pep session to generate enthusiasm for the contest to come.

Above: Our school photographer, Mr. George Shorter, whose conscientious work has contributed to the *Gusher's* popularity, poses Tookie Mitchell as her classmate Polly Morgan waits her turn.

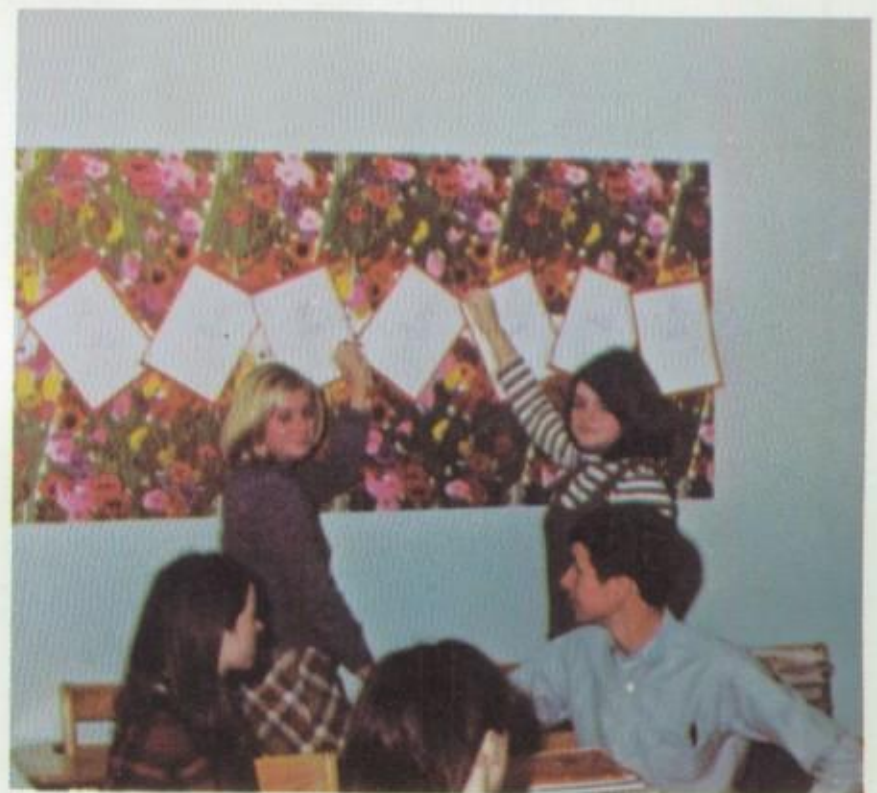
Right: "How The West Was Won," this year's Go West Day theme, was depicted throughout the halls by colorful murals painted by Student Council recreation committee members and the Brush and Palette Club. Further emphasizing the theme, students came dressed in typical western apparel. An eye-catching pair of cowgirls are Nancy Coats and Gay Greengus.



Splendid Are The Classes



Silhouetted against a back drop of many hued vials and flasks are Robert Mabry and Charlee Smith who are analyzing the chemical composition of liquids. The chemistry department at Byrd combines up to date classroom lectures with laboratory experimentation and analysis for an interesting course.



Above: Aiding in the process of learning are examples of students' work here being arranged on a colorful bulletin board by Vickie Valentine and Joan Crain.

Left: In typing class students learn to use a tool which will be valuable throughout their academic and professional careers. By products of this class are coordination, accuracy, good posture, dexterity, and concentration.

Byrd's "High Life," a student written and edited newspaper, serves as a proving ground for future journalists as well as generates enthusiasm among Jackets for various school activities.



There Is A Place For Learning



Wide green athletic fields provide a perfect setting for the Girls Physical Education Department's activities. Archery, one of many programs offered, develops eye and muscle coordination.



Above: Lending enchantment to an already fascinating course are geometric figures created with string and cardboard by Don Stone and Ann Thorne-Thompson. These are only two of the many in a display of student work.

Left: Seniors Jay Cardwell, Debbie Hunter, Margaret Stagg, and Eddie Fort, contemplating graduation in June, check their credits with Mrs. Anna Holmes McGraw who provides an invaluable service of advising seniors on opportunities in the academic and industrial fields.

Splendid Are The Activities



Byrd's R.O.T.C. Silver Saber Platoon prepares for presentation of the halftime show at the Homecoming game against Texarkana at Captain Shreve Stadium. These cadets are trained in all phases of military procedure as well as in precision marching.

Band members Ann Clark, Beverly Lackey, Glen Fowler, Norman Cox, Gail Sandifer, Ronnie Hendrix, and Robert Head gather their instruments and equipment for the Holiday In Dixie parade.



Surrounded by the senior members of Byrd's 1968-69 football team is the Homecoming Court. *Front row:* Tom Teasley, Gary Brownlee, Roy Burroughs, Craig Flournoy, Mike Sumter, Dickie Grieder, and Mike Judlin. *Second row:* Roxie Cariere, Scotty Comegys, Cindy Haney, Diane Askew, and Richie Woodall. *Third row:* Ted Mitchell, Martin Yarborough, Mike Bowden, John O'Hara, Bill Parker, Bill Morris, Jere Overdyke, and Towney Robinson.



There Is A Place For Leading



Cadet officer Jim Lenoir and instructor, Sergeant Bryant, display the R.O.T.C. flag bearing its new motto suggested by Mr. J. H. Duncan, "Keep On Keeping On." Jody D'Anna, Susie Shriver, Marvin Street, Richard Boyce, Margaret Prim, John Zimmerman, and Oliver Carroll presented the flag to Byrd's principal, Mr. Duncan.



Senoritas Frances Kayser and Leslie Watkins bring members of the Los Vecinos Spanish Club a touch of the fiesta from south of the border with their typical Mexican costumes and entertainment.



The Centenary College Gymnastic team presented an exhibition to the mass meeting of the Red Cross during Activity Period. The entire audience was thrilled by their skill in tumbling and on the parallel bars.

Splendid Are The Fields

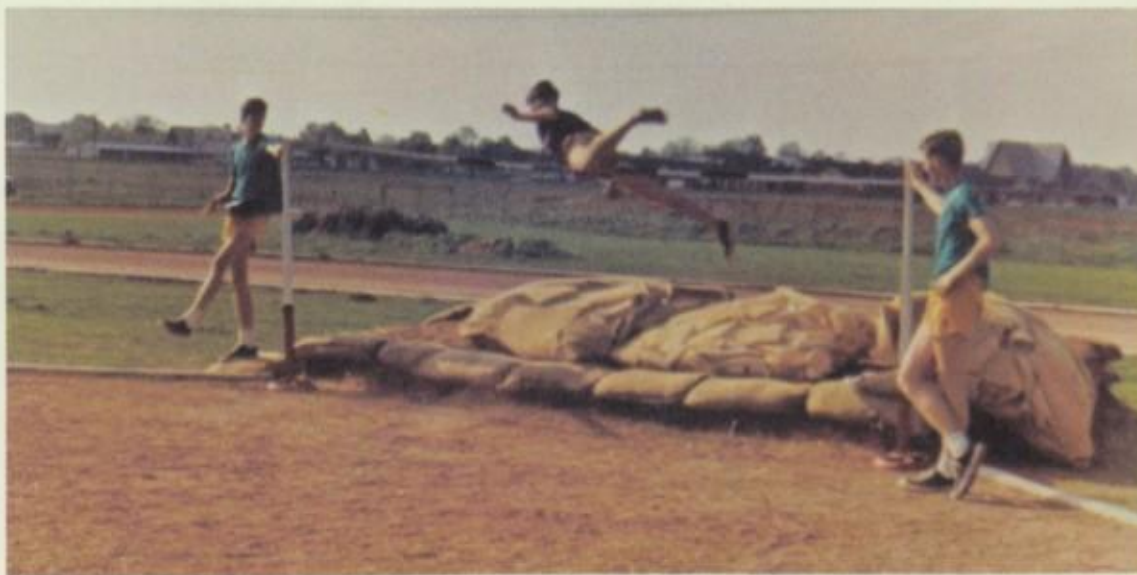


Making ready to do battle against the Texarkana Hogs are Byrd's football players as they warm up before the game at the Captain Shreve Stadium.

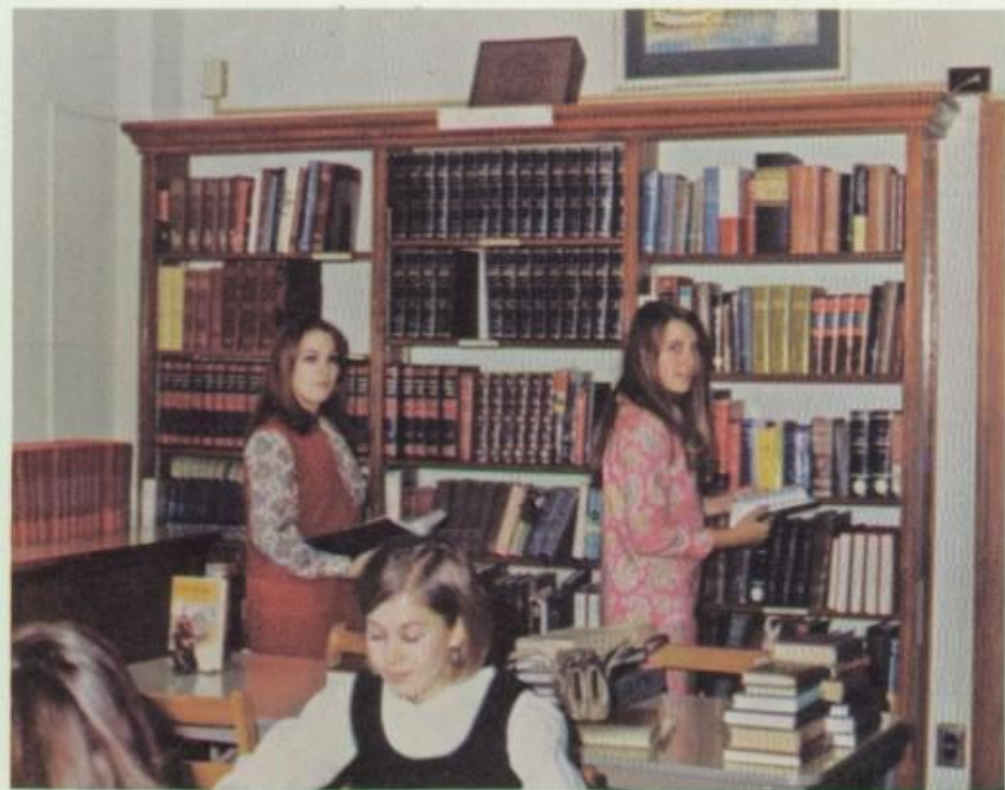
Amidst orchids and azaleas Kent Cage, Willis McNeil, Paul Watson, Chan Teague, Kim Kayser, and Larry Larsen are gathered in a local florist shop to order corsages for the Homecoming game with Texarkana.



Byrd's track team has long been a source of pride and glory. Long practice hours insure a successful year of athletics.



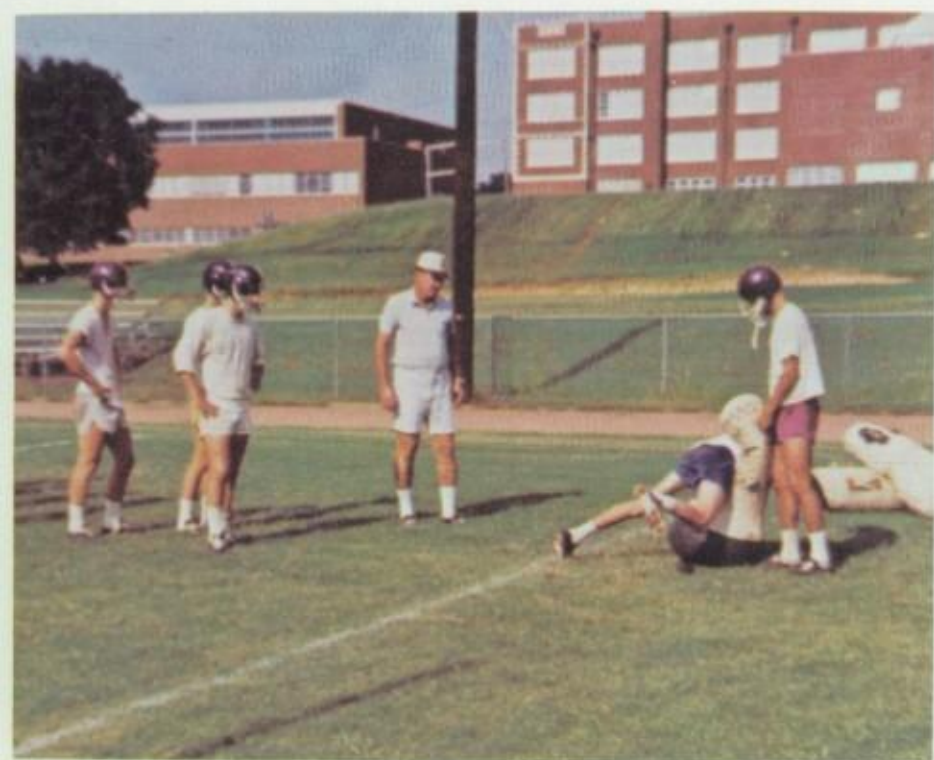
There Is A Place For Competing



Emily Lafitte, Ann Levy, and Ruth Cassard find a well stocked and organized library an essential ingredient in the field of learning.



During halftime of a B team basketball game, Coach Gerald McLaurin directs, as well as inspires, his players to a greater second half effort.



During a practice drill, Coach Gene Hammer, Byrd's defensive mentor, toughens and perfects these players in the technique of blocking.



The enchantment of past ages came alive for world history students Robert Adams, Kathleen McBride, Martha Kurz, and Dorothy Stevens. A medieval castle of sugar cubes and a richly colored rice mosaic of a mighty Viking ship were painstakingly hand-made as individual projects.

Splendid Are The People



Depicting characters from *Gone With The Wind* are Steve Adcock, Phil Watson, Peggy Allen, Richie Woodall, Roxie Cariere, Cindy Haney, Billy Guin, and Scotty Comegys. This was the theme of the student assembly prior to the Captain Shreve football game. The comical situations and humorous satire delighted the audience and inspired enthusiasm for the coming contest.



Caddo Parish students find learning a pleasant task at the Louisiana State Fair. Rides and refreshments provide for breaks between visits to the agricultural, scientific, and mechanical exhibits.

A spontaneous pep rally before school on the parking lot precedes a rip-roaring Go West Day. Band members add excitement with their extemporaneous rendition of school songs.



There Is A Place For Spirit



Stingerettes, temporarily clad as cowgirls, maneuver with precision and grace as they drill for the halftime show of the Byrd vs. Fair Park football game.



A long anticipated moment has finally come for seniors Charles Gadpaille, Ross Tilbury, Rusty Martin, Debbie Miller, and Pam Lynn as they purchase their class rings, a source of great pride and joy.

Stingerettes deftly combine the arts of fun and fund raising in their annual carnival. Deborah Betts, Carolyn Foster, and Deborah Hunter arrange festive balloons around the garter throw booth which is always a scene of great hilarity.





BEAUTY IS ONE OF THE "THINGS THAT COUNT," and Shreveport is filled with many lovely spots that refresh the mind and re-kindle the spirit. Activities take up time, but some seniors find time to rest as they visit the park on East Kings Highway. These active seniors are Ted Dienst, Drum Major; Mike Judlin, Football; Brenda Hodge, Secretary, N.F.L.; Pam Willis, Pep

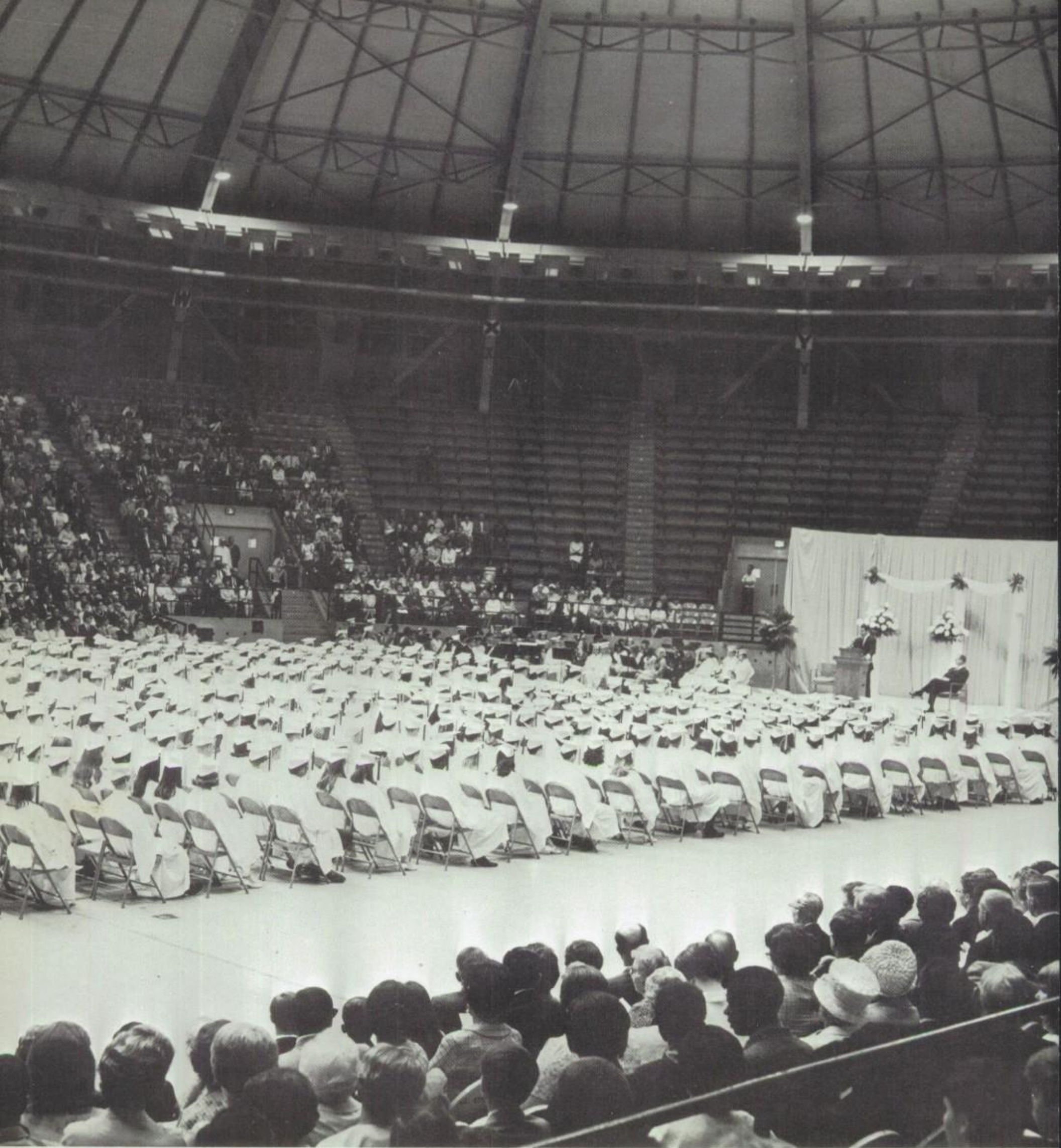


*To build a life of hope and plans
To give and work and play*

Activities play a big part in the school-life at Byrd. They enable students to develop their interests and talents for fulfilling years after high school. Byrd has a large variety of activities, from service organizations to the festivities of Homecoming and Basketball Day. This covers all types of interest so everyone has a chance to participate in something worthwhile. These activities, not only give a student a sense of being part of something, but they also give him a chance to develop and cultivate his interests. Years after graduation, Byrd students will remember high school as being full of excitement, thanks to these many activities.

In this section the "things that count" are interwoven into the fabric of service clubs that benefit the individual, Byrd, and the community, language groups that are an extension of the classroom into the culture of a people, and friendly social groups that bring pleasure and laughter to the citizens of Byrd.

Activities



All the years of his life, a person remembers his high school days. For this reason, it is important for school to be more than just studying. Byrd is filled with many activities that bring students enjoyment and experience. Graduation, which is the highlight of a student's high school days, brings the three years to an end, but also starts him on a path to new experiences.

School Life

Students Enjoyed All Phases of SCHOOL LIFE



Each Thursday Byrd students awaited the unpredictable assemblies which broke the monotony of the week. Assemblies not only provided relaxation for students, but also proved to be stimulating and serious as well as hilarious and utterly ridiculous. The brotherhood assembly was one in which fellow students, representing different denominations spoke to the student body concerning the attitudes of Brotherhood Week. Speaking were Amy Lerner, Patti Falk, and Danny Booras.



An assembly away from the ordinary was the Senior Favorites presentation in which Craig Flournoy gave an original poetry recitation.



School serves not only to expand the mind, but also to help students to show their true creative ability. To the left, Nancy Creamer prepared centerpieces for an Americanism banquet. To the right, Kay Corbin, Nina Hernandez, Kathleen Lambert, Mary Campbell, and Billie Adams, Home Ec students, used their creativity in preparing varied meals.



The office was the center of buzzing activity as office workers helped students to check in and out.



Boys, hungry from exuberant studying, eagerly awaited the nutritious and delicious meals served by the well-trained staff which managed the school cafeteria.

ASSEMBLIES Promoted Spirit, Honors,



Billy Guin, alias the Bosier Bearcat, tried to put a scare into Scotty Comegys.

As a requirement for all schools, an assembly was held by the R.O.T.C. concerning patriotism.



The R.O.T.C. presented a skit representing the lack of patriotism which is present in our country today. The assembly ended with a presentation of the colors and the singing of the National Anthem.



Missy and Prissy, Peggy Allen and Roxie Cariere, gave their version of "Oh, them golden slippers" in the Captain Shreve assembly.



When Prince Charming, Phil Watson, asked Cinderella, Richie Woodall, if she would try on the glass slipper, ugly step-sisters, Cindy Haney and Scotty Comegys, found it quite humorous.



Education, Brotherhood, Patriotism



Robin Hood's Merry Men—Rocky Chalmiers, Bob Minder, and John Payne—took a breather in Sherwood Forest, as they pursued the Knight of Woodlawn.



Susie Royal was given the honorable label of "tree" in the Ruston assembly. She proved to be an obstacle to the fierce Bearcat, Billy Guin, as he chased Zelda Gunch, alias Cindy Haney.

Old Man John Payne looked through his history book of Byrd and explained to Gay Greengus and John O'Hara, with the help of members from their respective activities, how Byrd works and how students can benefit from the extracurricular activities available.



Kitty Kieckpatrick, Rick Hawkins, and Susie Royal provided the student body with a humorous insight into the world of commercialism. TOP: Rick begins the demonstration with Susie as he proved her hair spray repels the water. MIDDLE: Rick moved over to Kitty to prove her product is inferior. BOTTOM: The point is proven as Product X absorbs the water into Kitty's hair.

"Excuses" Played at MILITARY BALL



The "Excuses" played for the 23rd annual Military Ball which was held in the Municipal Auditorium.

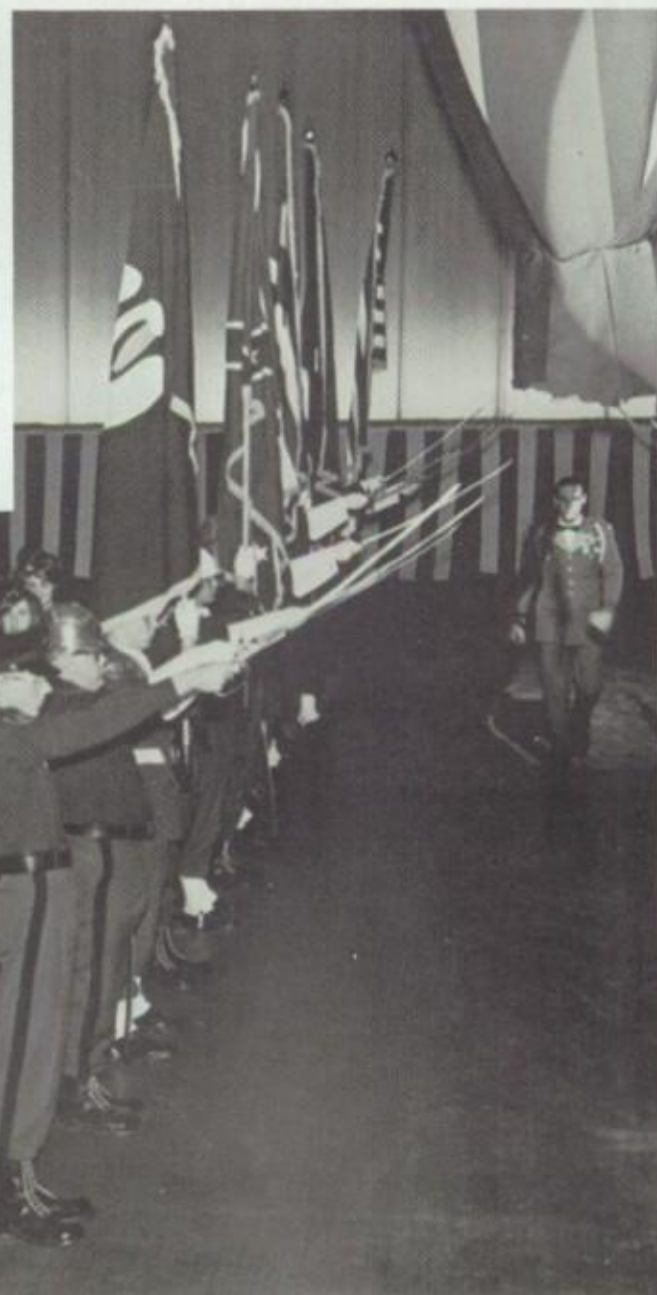


The Grand March of all top R.O.T.C. officers in the first brigade was led by Cadet Colonel Stephen Key.

R.O.T.C. cadets proved there is more to the corps than precision marching. On January 31 the Military Ball was held at the Shreveport Municipal Auditorium for all cadets of the First Brigade, all Shreveport area high schools. Music was provided by the "Excuses" and Fair Park and Woodlawn put on intermission entertainment with a skit on patriotism. Byrd officers and sponsors, with the other schools, were responsible for the decorations in a patriotic theme that turned the auditorium for a night into a place where military discipline could be lessened and music and laughter were the "order of the day."



Before the intermission at which Fair Park and Woodlawn put on a skit, cadets and their dates began to clear the floor.



Through the Saber Arch formed by Byrd's Silver Saber Platoon walked all R.O.T.C. officers and sponsors from the Shreveport area high schools.



HOMECOMING Highlighted Football Season



RICHIE WOODALL
Queen



NANCY SPENCER
Sweetheart



Mr. J. H. Duncan crowned Richie Woodall Homecoming queen while standing by her father, Mr. Sidney Woodall. Watching the ceremony are Cindy Haney and Coach Jimmy Harrison's twins, Pat and Patty.



Byrd band proudly steps out during the half-time performance honoring the Homecoming court.



Serving with cheerleaders, Phil Watson, Billy Guin, and Steve Adcock during the Homecoming game were Beverly Lofton, Catherine Murrell, and Susie Royle.

Fathers Served as

On September 20, Byrd celebrated one of its biggest events of the year—Homecoming. Beginning this momentous day was the skit presented by the National Honor Society during which all of the Homecoming Court was presented. After the assembly many of the former teachers and graduates were honored at a tea given by the Future Homemakers of America.

In the coronation ceremonies preceding the game, members of the court were presented with their fathers serving as escorts. Despite displaying tremendous effort and determination throughout the game, the Jacket gridders dropped a close 13-6 decision to the Texarkana Roughriders. Afterwards, a dance sponsored by the Varsity Club and featuring the Blue Denims, climaxed a thrilling day to remember for every Jacket fan.



Proud fathers stood with their daughters during the presentation of the Homecoming court.



Interested Jacket players anxiously awaited the outcome of a decisive play during the Homecoming game.



Escort
MR. SIDNEY WOODALL
Queen
RICHIE WOODALL



Escort
MR. JACK COMEGYS
Maid
SCOTTY COMEGYS

Escorts for HOMECOMING



Escort
MR. N. B. SPENCER
Sweetheart
NANCY SPENCER



Escort
MR. WILLIAM HANEY
Maid of Honor
CINDY HANEY



Escort
MR. DAVID WALKE
Maid
GINNY WALKE



Escort
MR. ANDY CARIERE
Maid
ROXIE CARIERE



Escort
DR. HARRY ASKEW
Maid
DIANE ASKEW



Football Bearer
PAT HARRISON
Crownbearer
PATTY HARRISON

Mother Goose Saved the Day

Swinging into another year on September 10, the Pep Squad Carnival once again brought thrills and adventure to the volleyball courts of Byrd. Bobbing balloons, bright streamers, and the gay booths magically transformed the courts into a fun-filled midway where a "jack-et" could climb a greased pole, toss a garter, visit a boutique, or dunk a coach. He might even shave a balloon, squirt a flickering candle, or throw darts and win a prize for his efforts. And, if the excitement proved too much, a weary sight-seer could refresh himself with a hot dog, candy, or icy snow cone.

The Stingerettes had as much, perhaps even more fun than the participants, and when the proceeds were counted, it was found that the 1968 Carnival had been the most successful ever, profitting over five hundred dollars.

Two weeks later, on September 24, the storybook land of Mother

Goose revealed its fantasies to a capacity audience in the annual Peep Show, staged by the Pep Squad. Written by Rick Hawkins, the production, entitled "The Grimm World of Mother Goose," was emceed by Amy Lerner, Laura Bodenheimer, and John O'Hara. Resplendent in fanciful costumes designed and made by members of the Senior Pep Squad and Drum Corps, the 1968 football team became nursery-rhyme inhabitants of the World of Mother Goose. But no one seemed to be able to change Prunella's wooden puppet into a great football player until Mother Goose, otherwise known as Coach Harrison, appeared and saved the day with a magic spell; Bill Parker emerged as the star of the team. Combined with the introduction of the Pep Squad and the spirited yells of the cheerleaders, the Peep Show created a memorable evening for everyone.

Exuberant spirits filled the air as the Old Lady Who Lived in the Shoe (Tom Hamm), the Pieman (Mike Bowden), Simple Simon (Bill Clark), and the Old Lady's Son (Walter Holder) prepared to make their comic debut.



Mother Goose, alias Coach Harrison, cheerfully surveyed the preparations made for a journey into the Land of Nursery Rhymes.



Making a whole-hearted attempt to burst a balloon, Mike Clark patronized the Daisy Dart booth where Katie Crawford stood ready to dispense prizes.



Jane Baldridge and Scotty Lyons helped a small visitor to the Carnival choose from the inviting array of goodies in the Sweet Shoppe.



As recreation co-chairmen, Nancy Coats and Gray Teekell were in charge of the banners, decorations, and activities for the day.

Go West Day, sponsored by the Student Council, boosted school spirit and spurred the team on to victory. All students dressed in western attire, and the cafeteria looked like an old western town containing jails, stables, a hotel, and a saloon. During the lunch shifts, lemonade and suckers were served to the students in the Golden Slipper Saloon with western music played by Danny Booras. Prizes for the best-dressed students and teachers were awarded. The winners of the students' awards were Sharon Traylor and Charles Lindenmayer while Miss Shirley McNeel and Mr. James Rife won the awards for the teachers.

The theme of Go West Day this year, "How The West Was Won," was well carried out through the many posters and banners displayed in the halls. Some of the posters depicted the faces of the senior football players. The corral in the front hall did a good business all day by selling western supplies, while Fort Byrd, in front of the school served to scare off any Indians considering an attack.

As a result of the tremendous amount of spirit created by Go West Day, the great Jacket team pulled through with a 20-14 victory over Fair Park in the game played in the State Fair Stadium.

GO WEST DAY Spirit Resulted in Victory



The cafeteria looked like an old western town, and all the students enjoyed the shows and refreshments provided at lunch.

Cheering students encourage spirit in a pep rally held in the parking lot before school.



Jackets Sank on



Senior members of the Varsity Basketball squad, Raymond King, Al Hand, Jere Overdyke, John Payne, Mike Raspberry, Dickie Grieder, and Roy Burroughs presented the 1969 Basketball Court.



CINDY NORMAN
Sweetheart



CATHERINE MURRELL
Senior



CANDY COVINGTON
Junior



FRANCES KAYSER
Sophomore



DELMA MASON
Freshman

"Sail in a Win" Day



Dickie Grieder showed a great individual effort in a successful fast break against the Haughton Buccaneers.



Crownbearer Kenneth Harkness joined the 1969 Basketball Court of Cindy Norman, Sweetheart; Frances Kayser, Sophomore; Candy Covington, Junior; Catherine Murrell, Senior; and Delma Mason, Freshman.

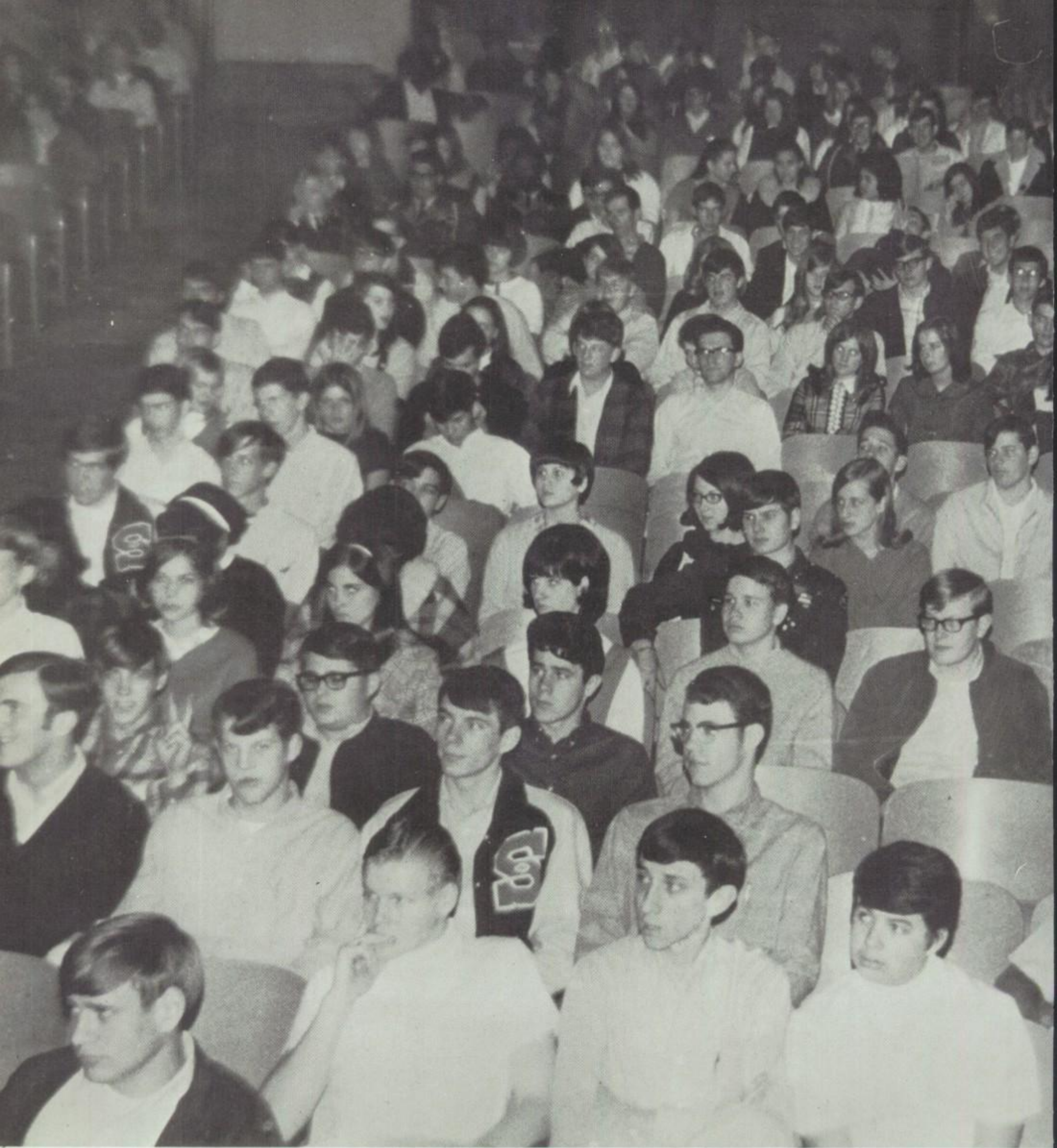
"Sail in a win," the theme for Basketball Day, was presented in a skit in an assembly as one of the many highlights of the day. To top off the day, the 1969 court was presented preceding the varsity game with Haughton.

Coach Jimmy Harrison presented the court of Cindy Norman, Sweetheart; Catherine Murrell, sen-

ior; Candy Covington, junior; Frances Kayser, sophomore; and Delma Mason, freshman; who were escorted by the senior members of the basketball team. The presentation was followed by a game with Haughton which saw the Jackets fall to a 77-59 score.

The Jacket basketball team was presented in an assembly which boosted spirit for Basketball Day.





It is important for students to have extracurricular activities at school and the great majority of these deal with some club or organization. Byrd has some of the best organizations, in quality and quantity, in the area. The auditorium symbolizes organizations because the assemblies are held there. Byrd's clubs are definitely one of the "Things that Count."

Organizations

Students Served Byrd in Various ORGANIZATIONS



Around Christmas time, students began to anticipate the arrival of the Student Directories. Becky Smith purchased hers from Red Cross representative Charlene Gutschow.



Raising the flag before school and posting the colors in assemblies were two tasks which Stan Bussey, Tommy Scales, Lynn Gordey, and Randy Turner performed in service to the school.



Before presenting a Christmas skit, Molly Hayes, Donna Evans, Janet Gammill, and Judy Cohen enjoyed cokes and homemade cookies provided by members of the Drama Club.



Students participating in the Distributive Education program learned much about the commercial world through first-hand experience. Richard Bartholomew was employed at a local department store, while Vicki Valentine worked at a downtown jewelry store and Amanda Eslick held a job at an insurance firm.



Serving as officers of the 1968-69 Byrd Red Cross are Charles Sale, Vice President; Susie Royle, Secretary; and Alan Ross, Treasurer; Jere Overdyke was elected president of the chapter.

RED CROSS Provided Christmas



Love, hope, service, faith, tradition: these are the ideals of Byrd's largest organization. Under the direction of Miss Jean Ponder, the Byrd High Chapter of the Junior American Red Cross completed another fine year of outstanding service to this area. Their activities began with the annual banquet held in September at the Youth Center. Newly elected representatives and alternates were initiated into the organization, and the upcoming membership drive was discussed. The drive was extended to all students at Byrd. Twenty-eight homeroom classes with one hundred per cent membership were rewarded with coke parties.

In November, the Red Cross sponsored an athletic demonstration by the Centenary Gymnastic Team, under the direction of Vannie Edwards. The group performed tumbling stunts, free exercises, and routines on the parallel bars.

During the business portion of the first Red Cross meeting of the year, Jere Overdyke listened while Alan Ross gave his Treasurer's report.



Choosing the cover for the Student Directory is one of the tasks which Jere Overdyke, Charles Sale, and Nancy Dinkins performed.



Students filled the gym during a mass meeting of the Red Cross when the organization sponsored a gymnastic exhibition by the Centenary Gymnastic Team.

Members of the Executive Council are *Front row*: Laura Sealy, Workshop; Camille Sample, Projects; Nancy Dinkins, Publicity; and Susan York, Art. *Second row*: Jack Shuey, Projects; Bill Sample, Student Council; and Candy Pardue, Student Council. Donna Kimbell is also Art Chairman.



for Needy Families

Members found numerous opportunities for community service during the month of December. They collected food and clothing for needy families, as well as provided ditty bags for servicemen in Vietnam. Holiday favors were made for patients at the Veterans Hospital, and student directories were printed and sold.

Red Cross Officers and Executive Council Members were elected in the previous spring and announced in a special assembly. They served on various committees, such as art, publicity, projects, workshop, and Student Council. Definite improvements were made in school and community because of the capable leadership of the members of the Red Cross.



The Executive Council progressed under the leadership of Miss Jeannine Ponder, Red Cross sponsor. Mrs. Treba Vallery supervised the operation of the First Aid room, which is supported by the Red Cross.



Craig Sheppert and Lee Morris purchased their 1968-69 Student Directories from Red Cross representative Carlene Gutschow.



Before Christmas, the Executive Council collected money with which Candy Pardue, Susan York, Susie Royle, and Alan Ross purchased gifts for two local families.

SENIOR RED CROSS REPRESENTATIVES

Front row: Rozann Nelbert, Larry Larsen, Laura Bodenheimer, Margaret Fallis, Karen Heinsohn, Carla Neel. *Second row:* Ronnie Golden, Deborah Hunter, Willis McNeill, Myra Linebarier, Alan Koelemay, Peggy Allen, Beverly Taylor. *Third row:* Elaine Rainey, Marcia McLaughlin, Judy Hitchcock, Bill Furlong, Neal Cramer, Mike Bowden.



Gymnastics Demonstration



SENIOR RED CROSS ALTERNATES

Front row: Sherry Pickens, Rhoda Link, Cindy Norman, Kathy Knipp, Amanda Ford. *Second row:* Mary Neal, Beverly Lackey, Evelyn Hunt, Ellen Alexander, Robert Butcher, Steve Smith. *Third row:* D. W. MacKnight, Steve Mooring, Randall Braselton, Charlie Lindenmayer.

JUNIOR RED CROSS REPRESENTATIVES AND ALTERNATES

Front row: Levetta Davis, Barbara Williams, Judy Cohen, Cynthia Lindenmayer, Carolyn Nelson, Martha Kurz, Paula Sneed, Rebel Brown. *Second row:* Susie Wilkes, Carla Mitchell, Penny Dove, Jennifer Ussery, Beth Richardson, Rhonda Holmes. *Third row:* Kim Cunningham, Ginger Fortson, Whitney Quinn, Steve Middleton, Mike Clark, Ivy Hedgecock, Chet Cooper, Grey Townsend.





SOPHOMORE RED CROSS REPRESENTATIVES AND ALTERNATES

Front row: David Whitener, Peter Minder, Merrill Scarborough, Anne Butcher, Bill Shaw. *Second row:* Celeste Ellis, Carlene Gutschow, Patty Gordon, Becky Palmer, Diane Stigall, Charlie Fisher.

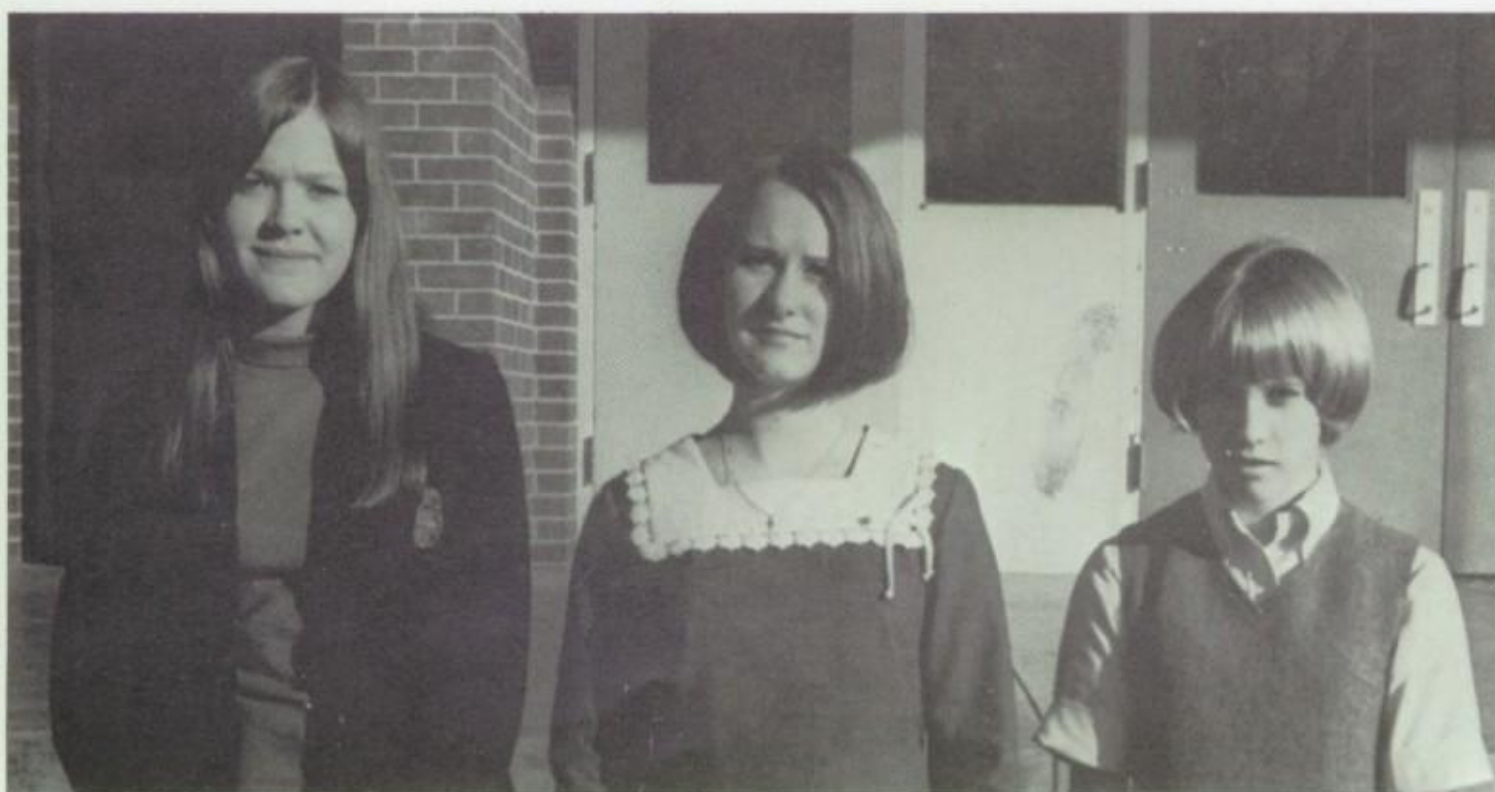
Sponsored by RED CROSS



Red Cross representatives and alternates met at the Youth Center for their annual kick-off banquet in September to discuss plans for the upcoming year.



Guest speaker at the Red Cross Banquet was Bob Minder, who spoke on his experiences at Pelican State.



FRESHMAN RED CROSS REPRESENTATIVES AND ALTERNATES

Donna Evans, Delma Mason, Debbie Valentine.



Al Hand
President



Rocky Chalmiers
Vice President



Doug Hadra
Secretary



Kim Kayser
Treasurer



Key Club Sponsors, who notified members of the club for meetings and helped in projects were: Ann Younker, Cindy Murrell, Anne Pou, Cindy Norman, Nancy Spencer, Richie Woodall, and Ann Thorne-Thomsen.

KEY CLUB Members Attended



Chris Anthony



Don Birkelbach



Danny Booras



Linton Carney



Jay Carter



Bill Clark



Jim Cowles



John Cordell



Glenn Fallin



Craig Flournoy



Billy Fraser



Bernard Johnson



Stephen King



Chuck Knight



Bill McCutchen

Selling doughnuts, working on cancer drives, and helping the faculty are projects done by the Key Club to aid the school, community, and country. Members participated in numerous activities, such as the drives for the Arthritis Foundation, American Legion, March of Dimes, Salvation Army, and Tuberculosis Foundation. Also before the presidential elections the club conducted a "get out and vote" campaign. Timing debates and performing various chores for faculty, such as distributing books at the beginning of school, are annual projects. The enthusiasm of the members was so high that it pushed one single project, a doughnut sale for the club treasury, to a two-hundred dollar profit.

In addition to its service projects, Key clubbers carried on many social activities including a Christmas party and hayride. Mid-City Kiwanis Club sponsored Byrd's Key Club this year with the faculty sponsor being Mr. Jerrold McLaurin.



Beginning the year right, Craig Flournoy, Phil Watson, Richie Woodall, Cindy Norman, Jay Carter, and Kim Kayser, redistributed books for the teachers. This is an annual project for all Key Club members.

Convention in Lafayette



Mark Massey



Steve Middleton



Bob Minder



Peter Minder



Barron O'Neal



Bill Parker



John Payne



Perry Peyton



Steve Reddon



Alan Ross



Bill Sample



Rusty Simmons



David Stevens



Gray Teekell



Phil Watson

Spanish Pinata Climaxed Annual PAN



Chet Cooper watched as Barron O'Neal hung up the New Year's pinata during the club's annual celebration.

Pan American Forum, now in its tenth year, was organized to promote better understanding of our Spanish-speaking neighbors. It is composed of forty-four students in their second or third year of Spanish.

During the year, club members heard various speakers talk of the culture of Spanish-speaking countries. Also included in the wide variety of programs were movies, songs, and displays. The club members enjoyed the traditional breaking of the pinata at their annual Christmas party. At the end of the year the members met for their year-end banquet at a local Spanish restaurant.

The officers for Pan American Forum this year were Ann Thorne-Thomsen, President; Don Birkelbach, Vice President; and Penny Dove, Secretary. The sponsor for the club was Mrs. Irbie Lawrence.

Front row: Diane Crain, David Adams, Tommy Landrum, Anne Pou, Ruth Pickens, Betsy Roos. *Second row:* Pat Jones, Janis Turner, Linda Anderson, Susie Wilkes, Dan Henderson, Barron O'Neal. *Third row:* Sandy Collins, Allen Gaines, Rickey Maddox, John Atkinson, Calhoun Allen, Ben King, James Willcox.



Glenn Fallin and John Atkinson exhibited the fine dress of the Spanish-speaking countries.

AMERICAN New Year's Eve Party



OFFICERS

Ann Thorne-Thomsen,
President; Betty Shields,
Treasurer; Don Birkel-
bach, Vice-President;
Penny Dove, Secretary.

Front row: Gail Sandifer, Catherine Murrell, Jane Baldrige, Helene Planchard, Petesie Hadra. *Second row:* Glenn Fallin, Maud Cole, Clovis Bonner, Mary Ann Tindol, Katie Crawford. *Third row:* Bill Pearce, Polly Stoddard, Carla Neel, Judy Coker, Stephanie Coffman, Charmaine Davenport.



Spanish señoritas from south of the border add a touch of festival to their New Year's Eve party with typical Mexican costumes. *Front row:* Katie Crawford, Ruth Pickens, and Betty Shields. *Second row:* Mary Tindol, Ann Thorne-Thompson, Ann Pou, and Polly Stoddard.

F.H.A. Made Layettes for Orphans



Officers for the 1969 F.H.A. were: *Front row:* Patricia Johnson, Historian; Pam Wallace, Parliamentarian; Brenda Rowe, Song Leader; Wanda Dees, Song Leader. *Second row:* Debbie Miller, Treasurer; Beth Richardson, Vice President; Carolyn Peyton, Reporter; Karen Heinsohn, President.



Pam Wallace, Donna Chase, Beth Richardson, and Becky Bloodworth, wearing the dresses they made, pose on the stairs after their appearances in the Spring Style Show.

After selecting "Communicating With Others" as their theme, members of the Future Homemakers of America Chapter planned projects to carry it out. At Christmas these enthusiastic girls made adorable layettes for infants in Vietnamese Red Cross orphanages. In order to obtain the funds necessary to add the finishing touches to the home economics apartment, members sold candy. Special guest speakers highlighted F.H.A.'s bi-monthly meetings. One of those was Reverend Kenneth Gibson of the Parkview Baptist Church who selected as his topic "Communicating With Your Future Spouse."

Sponsored by Mrs. Sylvia McLain, the club teamed up with the Student Council Executive Committee to give a Homecoming tea for the faculty. In the spring, the F.H.A. gave a style show in which the girls modeled clothes of their own creation.

At the end of the year, the Mother-Daughter Banquet was held to honor Chapter mothers and to award deserving members.



Front row: Jeannie Sanders, Gayla Statham, Sandy Verhalen, Kay Corbin, Carol Gagnard, Becky Bloodworth. *Second row:* Mary Neal, Janice Holland, Genet Smith, Kathy Statham, Susan Danahoe.



Karen Heinsohn, Carolyn Peyton, Patricia Johnson, Susan Danahoe, and Karen Statham sorted the baby blankets and sacques which they made to send to Red Cross orphanages in Vietnam.

VARSITY CLUB Provided Leadership



Sponsoring the annual Homecoming Dance every fall is the main job of the Varsity Club. Peddling tickets to the big social affair in a classroom were new members Jimmy Boyd, Bill Morris, Mike Bowden, and Gary Brownlee.

Not content to remain at the City of Byrd only as athletes, the members of the Byrd Varsity Club have taken many leadership roles upon themselves. Differing from all other clubs at Byrd is the trademark of this fine organization. To be a member, one must have lettered in one of the four major sports: football, basketball, baseball, or track while at Byrd. Therefore it is a great honor just to be a part of this well-respected group.

Sponsored by Coach Larry Kahlden, the Varsity Club had as its main project the responsibility of the Homecoming Dance. Other functions of the club included the sending of flowers to the sick and injured and the sponsoring of the hospitality room during the Byrd Invitational Basketball Tournament. For this invaluable work, members were further rewarded with free admission to all athletic functions held at Byrd.



Bill Parker
President



Towny Robinson
Vice-President



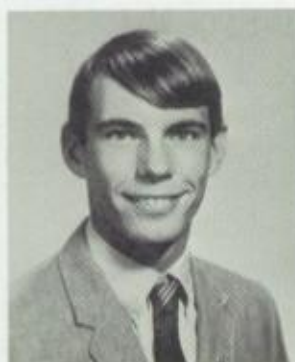
Roy Burroughs
Secretary



John O'Hara
Treasurer



Jimmy Anthony



Bill Clark



Dee Cooper



Gerald Goins



Dickie Grieder



Cade Havard



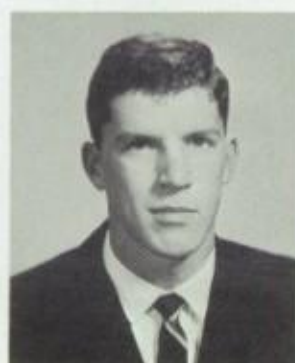
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Larry Larsen



John Payne



Mike Rasberry



Freddy Rosenblath

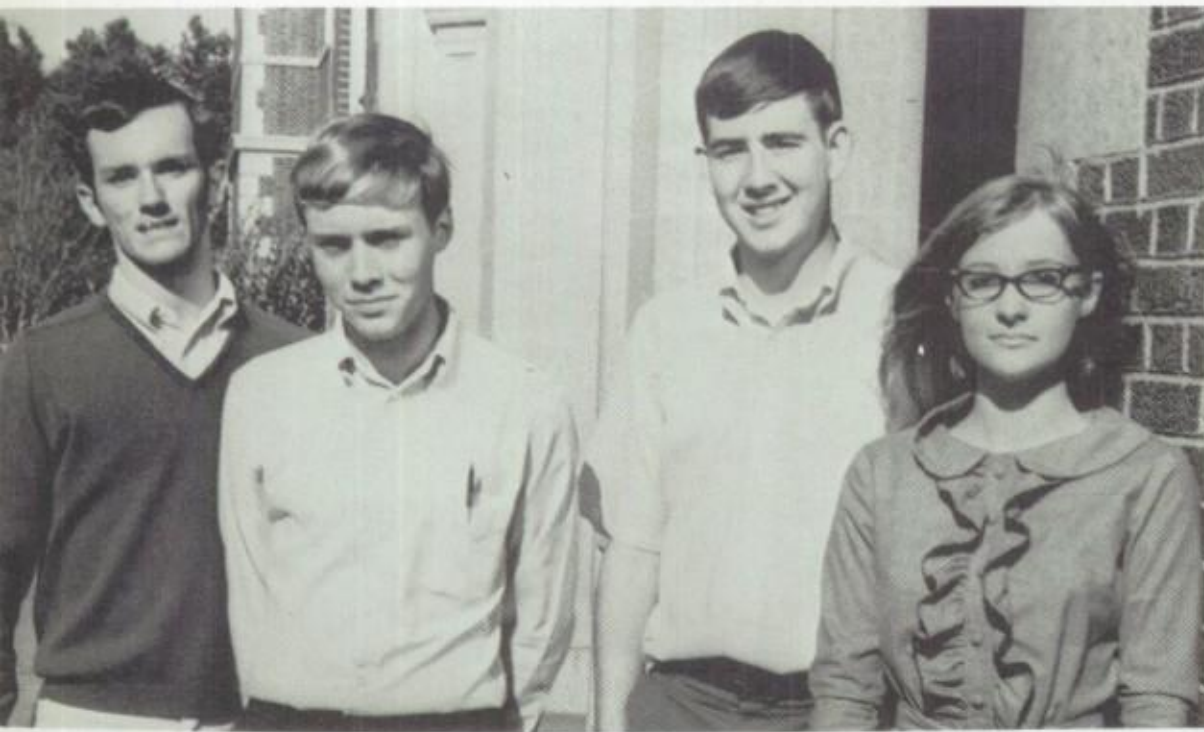


Mike Sumter



Tom Teasley

MATH CLUB Sponsored Football Buses

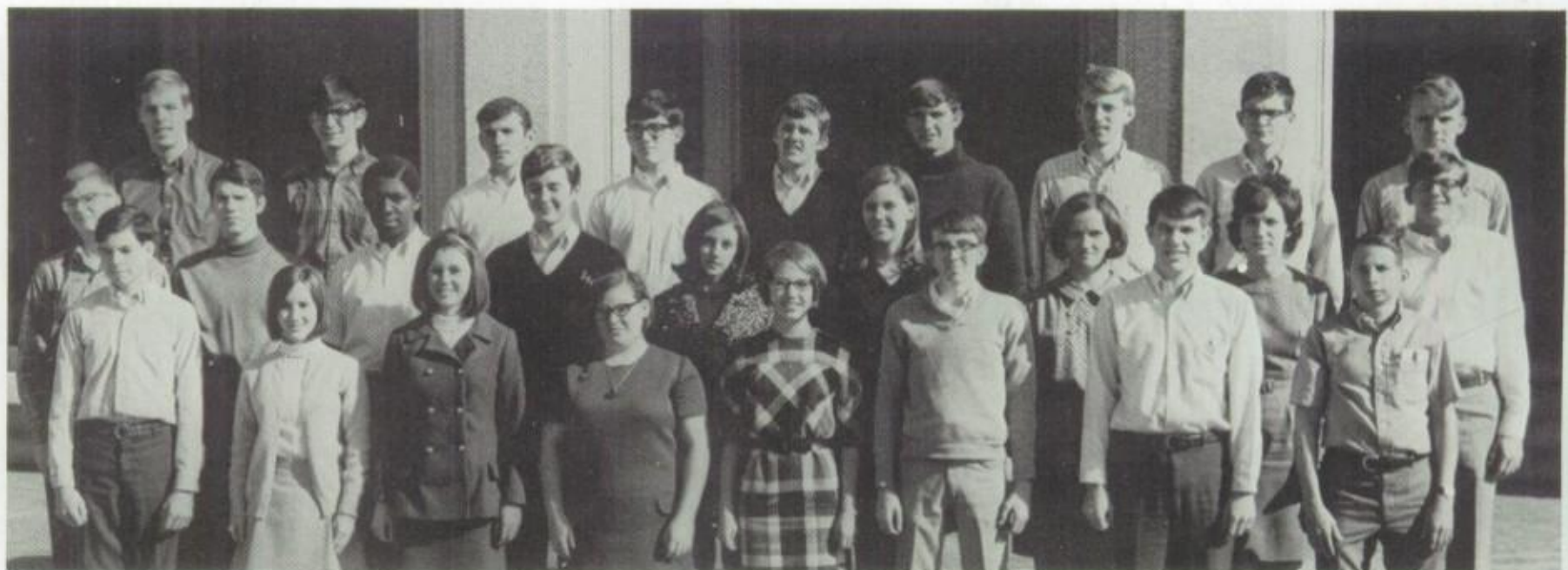


Officers for the 1968-69 Math Club are: Collins Nix, Vice President; Charles Gadpaille, Treasurer; Rickey Maddox, President, and Karen Carter, Program Chairman.



President Ricky Maddox asked, "Are there any volunteers to help tutor Alan in his Algebra?"

Field trips and football games, square roots and corollaries, speakers and tutors occupied the time of the Math Club members. Along with sponsoring school buses to out-of-town football games, the club took field trips to places such as Western Electric and United Gas Research Labs. To explore problems and challenges in the field of mathematics, the members heard various speakers including a gambler who talked on his view of mathematics. Mrs. Sallie N. Moody, the club sponsor, kept the club moving and helped it to become a very prosperous club. Members of the club having problems with their math courses were tutored by other members of the club.



Front row: Tommy Landrum, Marcia McLaughlin, Pam Lynn, Susie Nance, Karen Hawkins, Gary Whitener, Charles Sale, Joseph Malec. Second row: Tommy Berry, Lynn Westbrook, Michael Freeman, Barron O'Neal, Judy Cohen, Penny Dove, Patricia Johnson, Gayla Statham, Herby Rubenstein. Third row: Wyatt Lightfoot, Michael Freed, Ronnie Golden, Jack Shuey, Billy Guin, Steve Adcock, Allen Gaines, Steve Hightower, Randall Braselton.



OFFICERS

Front row: Kim Kayser, Social Committee; Deborah Hunter, Vice President; Ann Levy, Historian; Gay Greenus, Social Chairman; Camilla Bolch, Secretary; Scotty Comegys, Social Committee. *Second row:* Phil Watson, President; Chan Teague, Social Committee; Linton Carney, Treasurer; Grey Teekell, Sergeant-at-Arms; Larry Larsen, Parliamentarian.

GAYARRE Installed New Sponsor

Since 1929, the Gayarre History Club had been sponsored by Mrs. Mattie Gray Brown, but after her retirement in 1968, Mrs. Mary Jackson kept the oldest history club in Louisiana going by becoming the new sponsor.

Composed of American History students with at least a "C" average, the group met once a month to enjoy interesting programs. The club heard the exchange student from Sweden, Christina Necking, express her feelings about

America.

Also, the historians' club thoroughly enjoyed the review of the history of Shreveport given by Mrs. Mattie Gray Brown.

Besides hearing speakers, the club took an active part in local history and efforts to preserve historical landmarks of Shreveport. Taking part in many Holiday in Dixie ceremonies was an annual activity of the Gayarre History Club



Front row: Carolyn Nelson, Rebel Brown, Petesie Hadra, Nancy Ogletree, Ann Lang, Amanda Eslick, Karen Mann, Marcia McLaughlin, Molly Nolen. *Second row:* Betty Shields, June Lawrence, LaNell Barnes, Vicki Turner, Debbie DuBois, Barbara Williams, Brenda Hodge, Billy Guin, Beverly Lofton, Shirley Naranjo. *Third row:* Carol Ellis, Suzi Ellis, Janet Carson, Chris Eddy, Jimmy Walker, Gary Cascio, Myra Linebarier, Ginger Hagens, Robert Adams, Ben King.

GAYARRE Remained the



Front row: Charmaine Davenport, Sondera Malry, Rhoda Link, Kathy Knipp, Terry Lazarus, Martha Terzia, Billie Roe, Patti Falk, Ellice Brown, Kathy Fontane, Sandy Verhalen. *Second row:* Norman Cox, Jim Anthony, Cathy Fryer, Rhonda Cross, Cindy Waits, Beverly Lackey, Donna Rose, Nancy Guin, Anne Fryer, Pat Jones, Karen Heinsch, Sally Box. *Third row:* Willis McNeill, John Peddy, Glenn Shearer, Collins Nix, Laura Bodenheimer, Joseph DeFilippo, Bill Parker, Teresa Shelton, Mary Mika, Cathy Tucker.

Social Chairman Gay Greengus asked, "Larry, would you care for some more Coke?" Cokes and cookies were served at the annual Christmas party. Helping with the refreshments were Gaye Perry, Susie Royle, Beth Grabill, Linton Carney, and Debra Hunter.



Front row: Michele Willingham, Gail Kottle, Joyce Hollingsworth, Rozann Nelbert, Carolyn Stuckey, Anne You, Ann Thorne-Thomsen, Paula Sneed, Donna Dunbar. *Second row:* Pam Willis, Donna Kyle, Linda Anderson, Ginger Fortson, Judy Cohen, Linda Collins, Pat Massey, Candy Covington, Doug Hadra, Alan Koelmay. *Third row:* Carla Mitchell, Al Hand, Pat Harrington, Charles Sale, Randall Braselton, Ronnie Golden, Allen Gaines, Jack Shuey, Gery Whitener.



Largest Club at Byrd

Elliot Stonecipher explained to the members of Gayarre, "The Hi-Y not only does service projects, but also takes field trips out of town."



Front row: Carolyn Stigall, Denise Switzer, Cesca Russell, Carol Cannon, Lynda Boydston, Judy Hitchcock, Catherine Murrell, Cindy Norman, Patricia Johnson. *Second row:* Ann Younker, Lynne Harper, Suzy Sklar, Gaye Perry, Kathleen Mitchell, JoAnn Reeks, Gayla Statham. *Third row:* Rick Hawkins, Mark Massey, Bill Morris, Charlie Lindenmayer, Jay Carter, Robert Raymond, Beth Grabill, Rocky Chalmiers, Julia Minor.

"America" was sung by Patty Falk, Kathy Fontaine, Kathleen Mitchell, Scotty Comegys, and Cindy Waits, who provided the entertainment for the Gayarre Christmas party as Rhonda Cross and Tina Necking served refreshments.



Byrd "Z" Club Was Elected Secretary



"Z" Club officers for this year were: *Front row:* Carolyn Nelson, Vice President; Molly Nolen, President; Katie Crawford, Junior Board Member. *Second row:* Frances Kayser, Sophomore Board Member; Cindy Dorfman, Senior Board Member; Betty Shields, Treasurer; Nancy Dinkins, Secretary.

Diane Askew, Barbara Williams, Glenna Gallaspy, Patti Whited, and Edith Stevens looked over the Christmas cards which members of the "Z" Club made to distribute in nursing homes after the girls had sung carols to the old folks.

Whether singing at a nursing home, packing boxes for a needy family, or baking cookies for the soldiers in Vietnam, members of the Byrd High "Z" Club took an active part in service to the community and their school. Not only did they collect for the March of Dimes, the Heart Fund, and the American Legion, but also they regularly visited local homes for the aged, gave a style show, and made Christmas a little merrier for a needy family. This year Byrd was secretary of the Inter-City Council of "Z" Clubs which is an organization made up of all the local "Z" Clubs, joined together to work in service to the community, without competitive intentions.

"Z" Clubbers adorned the front hall on "Go-to-School Night" with colorful posters depicting the various organizations at Byrd so that the members of the P.T.A. might get some idea of the extra work many students do. After the parents had visited the classes, members of the "Z" Club served them punch and cookies. Gay laughter and the sounds of enthusiastic clapping filled the auditorium of the Holy Angels Day School as "Z" Clubbers sang the children's favorite songs and read them Halloween stories. In order to aid its sponsor club, the "Z" Club sold tickets for the Zonta's Antique Show and provided workers for it. Byrd received a monetary prize for placing third in the Zonta's poster contest. The true spirit of Christmas enveloped the main room of C-BARC as the members of the "Z" Club, carrying candles, came into the dark room and sang carols for the children. In order to make those students who entered Byrd at mid-term feel at home, the "Z" Club gave a coke party for them. What a surprised expression came over the faces of the kindergartners as Peter Cotton-Tail, alias Molly Nolen, hopped in to the backyard of the Genevieve Day Care Center to host an Easter egg hunt for them. In early April, many "Z" Clubbers served at a pancake breakfast benefiting C-BARC.

In May, following the election of new officers and members, a banquet was held at which Mrs. Almeda Dormon presented the seniors with certificates for their service to the club.



Serving as the Easter Bunny for the children at the Genevieve Day Care Center were the Sophomore members of the "Z" Club: Patty Robison, Gay Stacy, Anne Butcher, Eula Jane Norton, and Merrill Scarborough.

of the Inter-City Council



Packing canned goods for a needy family were: *Front row:* Ginger Hagens, Cathy Trichel, Pat Lindsey. *Second row:* Cathy Tucker, and Margaret Stagg.



Posing on the front steps of Byrd, each wearing the dress which she modeled in the February style show were: Gay Greengus, Nancy Coates, and Ann Levy.



Looking at the scrapbook to get an idea of work done in past years were: Scotty Comegys, Rebel Brown, Ann Younker, Richie Woodall, and Julia Minor.

Patti Falk, Gale Guess, Anne Pou, Ann Thorne-Thomson, and Carolyn Stuckey held two of the posters which the Byrd "Z" Club entered in the Zonta's poster contest. The poster on the left placed third and, therefore, added five dollars to the club's treasury.





Charles Sale
President



Kit Gamble
Vice-President



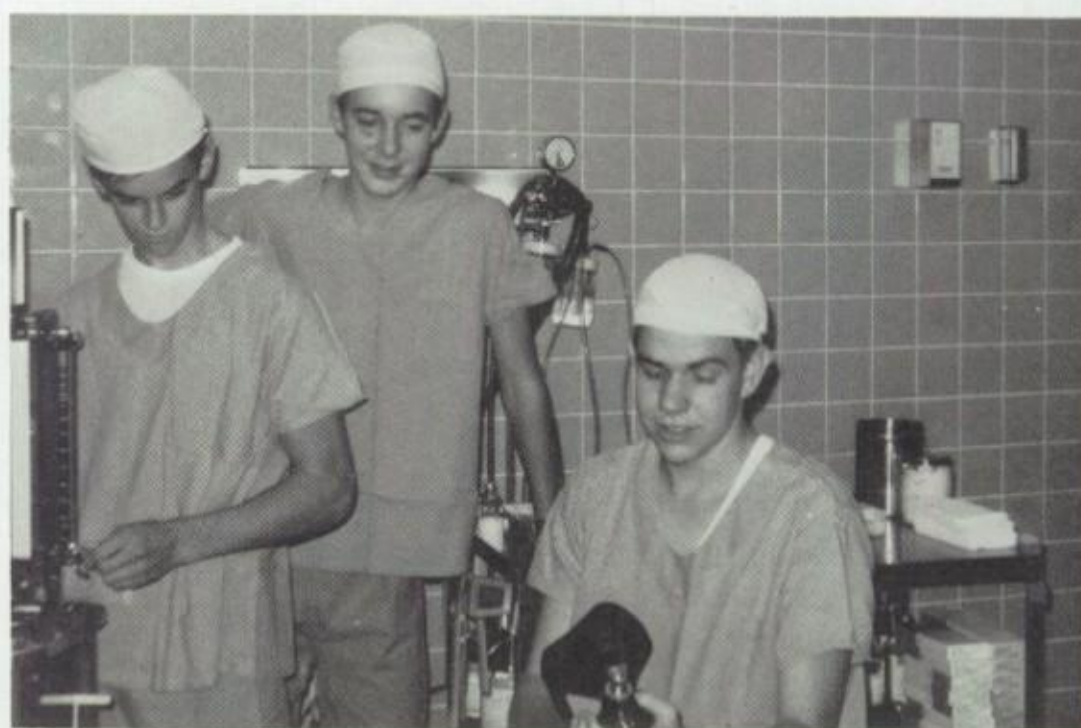
Barron O'Neal
Secretary-Treasurer



Robert Butcher
Treasurer

SMA Inspired Future Doctors

Boys carrying stretchers, pushing wheelchairs, assisting in the laboratory, and running errands was the Student Medical Association at work. Their provision of efficient, courteous service to the ill or injured was the main service of the SMA. In addition, members had the opportunity to learn about the function and operation of hospitals and duties of their personnel by working in the central supply, surgery, and emergency rooms. The assistance of the medical staff by the students resulted in acquiring many useful skills and developing talent that will be useful for the SMA members later in life. The SMA, under the direction of Mr. James White, introduced medicine and the world of healing to its members and possibly inspired some to a career in medicine.



In the operating room of a local hospital Robert Butcher, Barron O'Neal, and Charles Sale observe an artificial breathing machine to be used in a coming operation.



Stephen Adcock



Bill Allums



Ted Bryson



Karen Carter



Chris Eddy



Charles Gadpaille



Mike Goodroe



Billy Guin



Leslie Holder



Stephen King



Charles Lindenmayer



Scott Lowe



Rusty Martin



Helene Planchard



Sherry Russell



Mark Warren



David Whitener

ATIN FORUM Captured Fourth Praemium Maximum



Officers of the Latin Forum were: *Front row:* Ted Bryson, Sergeant-at-Arms; Pat Lindsey, Recording Secretary; Janet Marvin, Consul; Gay Stacy, Treasurer. *Second row:* Ginger Hagens, Corresponding Secretary; Linton Carney, Consul; Charles Sale, Parliamentarian; Robert Adams, Sergeant-at-Arms.



Taking a welcome break from practicing for the chariot race in Latin Week competition were Julia Minor, Whittney Quinn, Janet Gammill, Laura Bodenheimer, Johnnie Lyles, and the driver of the award-winning vehicle, Al Atkison.



Flowing Roman robes of many hues, endless lists of vocabulary words, chariots and armor, detailed grammar rules, stories of early Romans, exciting conventions: these were some of the joys and some of the headaches of all members of the Latin Forum. Promoting interest in the Latin language and the culture of the Romans, the Latin Forum is open to both students taking Latin and those who have taken the language and maintained an interest in it. The Forum has been very active on both the state and local levels, attending last year's convention in New Orleans, where it amassed the highest total number of points and won the top award, the Praemium Maximum, for the fourth time. Back home, the Latins donned traditional Roman garb for the spring banquet held at El Chico's in honor of the graduating seniors. The theme, "Knowledge is a journey, not a destination," was carried out in the speech of Mr. George Nelson and in the decorations, tiny purple and gold chariots among ivy-covered columns.

This year, interest has been high in the Latin Forum, with 124 members participating in the various activities. The highlights of the year were the initiation of new members, the slide show presented by the Forum's sponsor, Miss Irma Robinson, and the Christmas party. Members also took part in National Latin Week, striving to keep alive the beauty of a classical language and the achievements of the Roman civilization.



Displaying artifacts of the state-wide Latin convention were Ted Bryson, with the Praemia Maxima trophy, and Carolyn Nelson and Gale Guess with the handmade breastplate, helmet, staff, and shield of an imaginary Roman soldier.

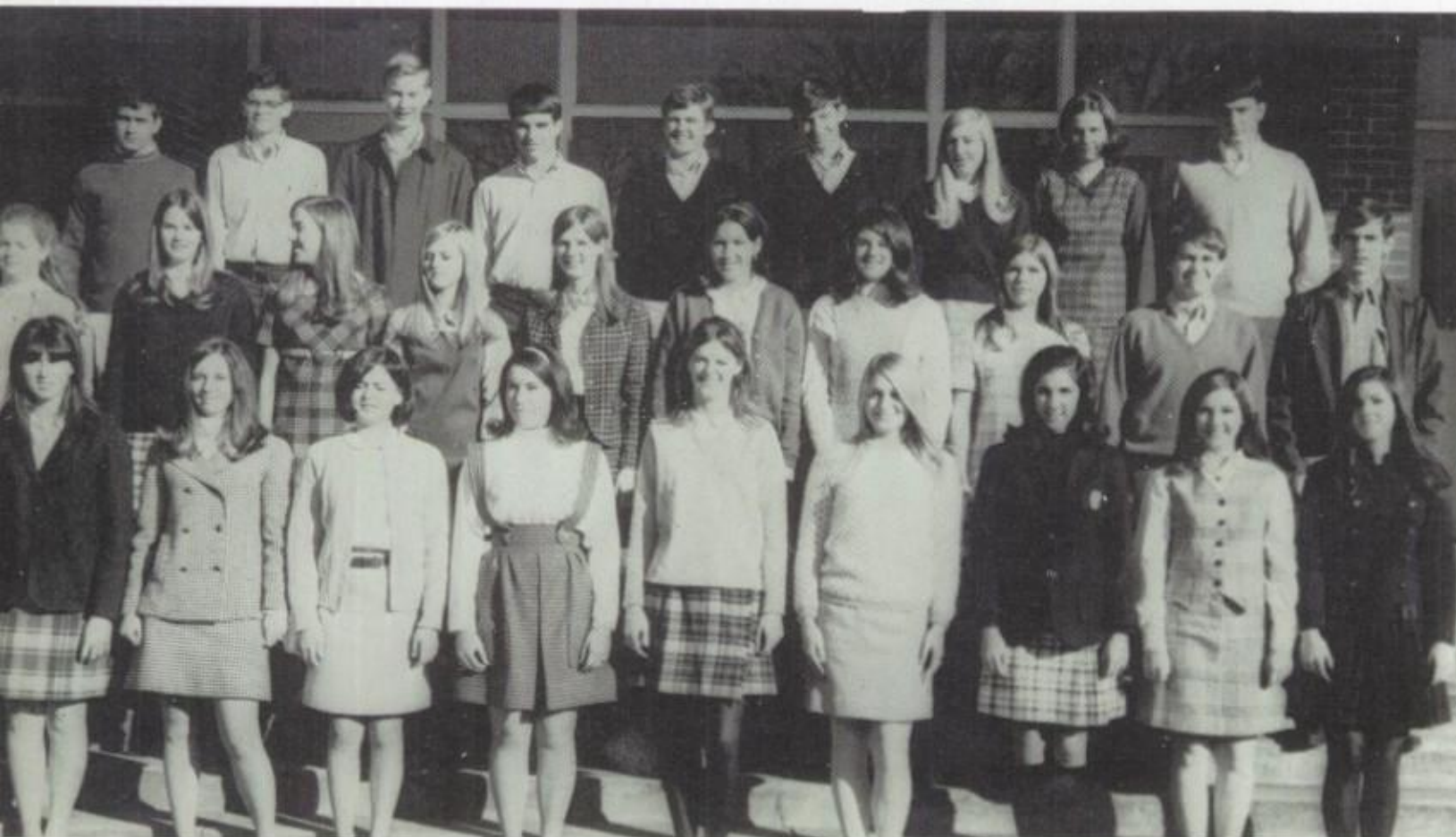
LATIN FORUM Presented Colorful Vistas



Gaily-decorated cards written in Latin adorned the bulletin board in Room 117 for the Christmas season. Kit Gamble and Miss Irma Robinson attempted to translate the inscription on one such Card.



Carolyn Foster and Emily Lafitte made preparations for the Forum's annual spring banquet by donning their colorful Roman costumes and helping with the table decorations.



Front row: Kay Coombs, Trisha Murphy, Patsy Langford, Ellice Brown, Susi Brown, Scotty Comegys, Kathy Fontane, Carol Cannon, Rebel Brown. *Second row:* Mary Daniell Long, Julia Minor, Linda Collins, Nancy Guin, Gale Guess, Laura Bodenheimer, Amy Lerner, Rhoda Link, Kit Gamble, Alan Koelemay. *Third row:* Bob Minder, Steve Hightower, Mark Gardner, Doug Hadra, Billy Guin, Rocky Chalmiers, Rhonda Cross, Janet Gammill, Scott Lowe.

of Europe in a Fund-Raising Slide Show



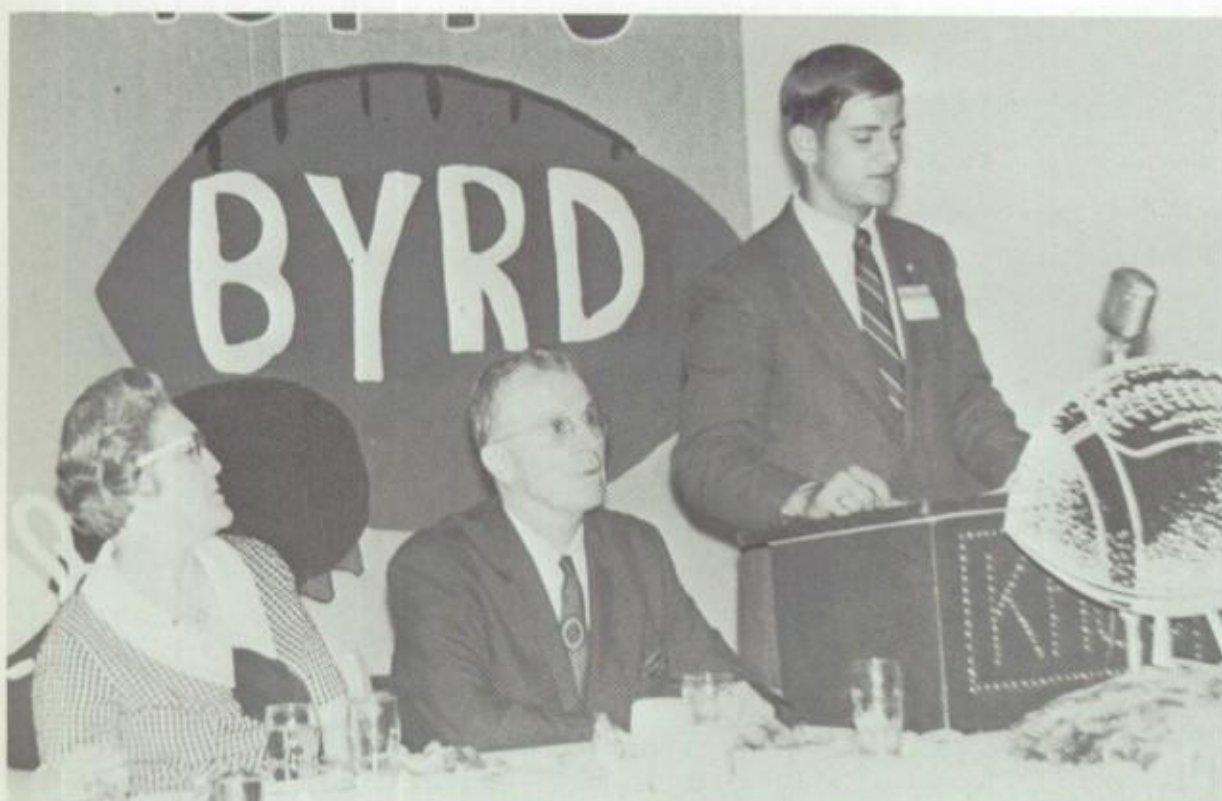
Front row: Helen Rosenkrans, Adrienne Poss, Carolyn Nelson, Cynthia Lindemayer, Cindy Dorfman, Debbie Crosslin, Vicki Turner, Sandy Verhalen, Cesca Russell. *Second row:* Lynn Westbrook, Tommy Berry, Emily Lafitte, Denise Switzer, Ginny Walke, Barbara Williams, Robert Butcher, Jack Shuey, Bill Sample. *Third row:* Whitney Quinn, Larry McIntosh, Mike Goodroe, Jay Welch, Charles Clark, Mark Warren, Al Hand, Ann Younker, Mark Massey, Rocky Chalmiers.

Front row: Candy Pardue, Deborah Richardson, Mary Holland, Kendy Ellis, Steffi Hanna, Patty Robison, Pam Brown, Merrill Scarborough. *Second row:* Johnny Armor, Mary Mika, Elaine Rainey, Libby Lagersen, Jane Scarborough, March King, Elizabeth Eglin, Herby Rubenstein. *Third row:* Steve Ramey, Chuck Knight, Steve Redden, John Paul Woodley, Bill Clark, Billy Fraser, Rob Fulton, Myra Linebarier, William Norton.



Front row: Delma Mason, Debbie Lomax, Anita Woodley, Frances Henderson, Don Stone, Mark Strand, Robert Young. *Second row:* Franie Norris, Betsy Gresham, Rachel Ginsburg, Kathi Brady, Paulette Tanner, Deborah Betts, Kay Harlan, Mary Ann King, Margo Crooks. *Third row:* Susan Young, David Stephens, Tommy Vowels, Chan Teague, Donald Minor, Charlie Fisher, Jim Shuey, Jim Morgan, Mike Malec.

Congressman Waggoner



"Kickoff," the annual teacher luncheon sponsored by the Student Council, started the new year with an address by the president Danny Booras.

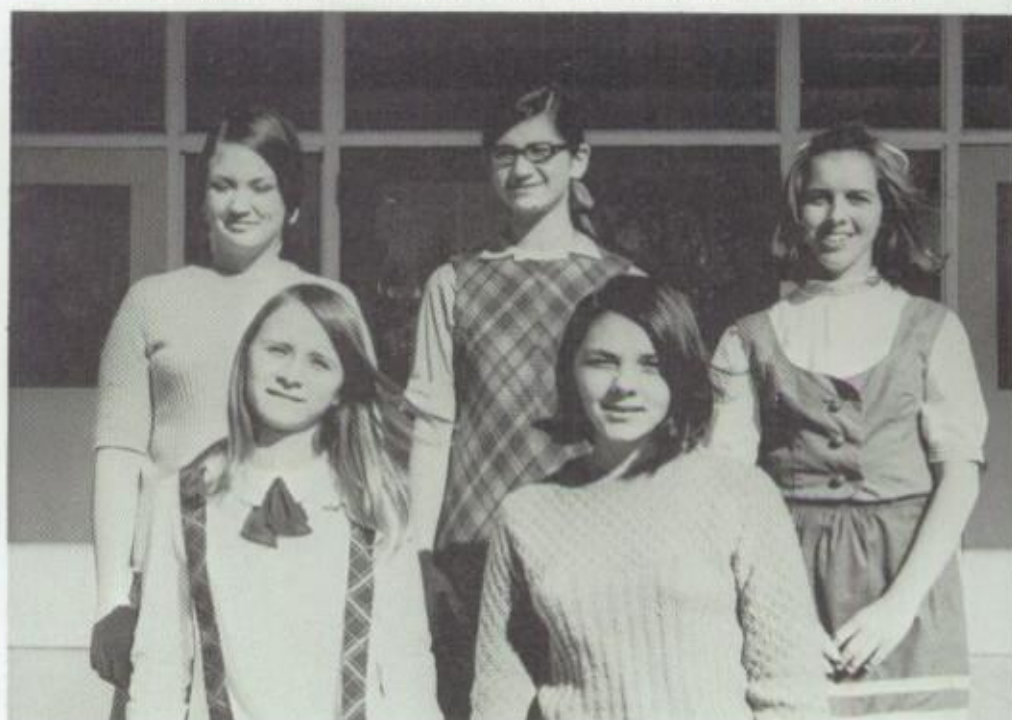
"Let America Hear Us!" This was the theme of the 1968 conference of the Southern Association of Student Councils, of which Byrd was President this year. It could also be the dominant sound echoing through all the activities of the Student Council of C. E. Byrd High School. More than any other organization, the Student Council is responsible for providing citizenship training and promoting good faculty-student relations.

"Go West Day," a Faculty Luncheon, Leadership Day, Sophomore Orientation, Citizenship Awards, the Homecoming Coffee, and the Talent Show were a few of the major activities coordinated by the Student Council. At the Go West Day assembly, Danny Booras, on behalf of the entire student body, presented a special award to Mr. Duncan for his "Jacket Pride."

FRESHMAN REPRESENTATIVES AND ALTERNATES



Whooping it up during the lunch break were fun loving Byrdites. Picturesque banners, old piano music and great quantities of lemonade contributed to a successful "Go West Day."



Front row: Debbie Wall, Roslyn Birdwell. Second row: Alice Fenton, Rachel Ginsburg, Dorothy Richardson.



SENIOR REPRESENTATIVES

Front row: Jan Adams, Anne Clark, Billie Row, Elizabeth Montgomery, Helene Planchard, Kim Kayser, Catherine Murrell, Kayla Vaughan. Second row: Kathleen Mitchell, Linda Anderson, Sharon Leeper, Gail Sandifer, Roy Burroughs, Beverly Lofton, Billy Guin, Doug Hadra, Richie Woodall. Third row: Scotty Comegys, Charles Trichel, Scott Lowe, Bill Sample, Margaret Stagg, Susi Brown, Roxie Cariere, Michael Judlin, Ginny Walke.

Addressed Student Body

A highlight of the year was an assembly in which Congressman Joe D. Waggoner, Jr. addressed the student body and answered questions submitted to him by the students.

Delegates from our Council represented the school at conferences and workshops held in Monroe, Houma, and Baton Rouge, Louisiana; Estes Park, Colorado, and Hurst, Texas. For the first time Byrd was invited to the Little White House Conference held annually in Honolulu, Hawaii, and our past president, Don Cunningham, attended this.

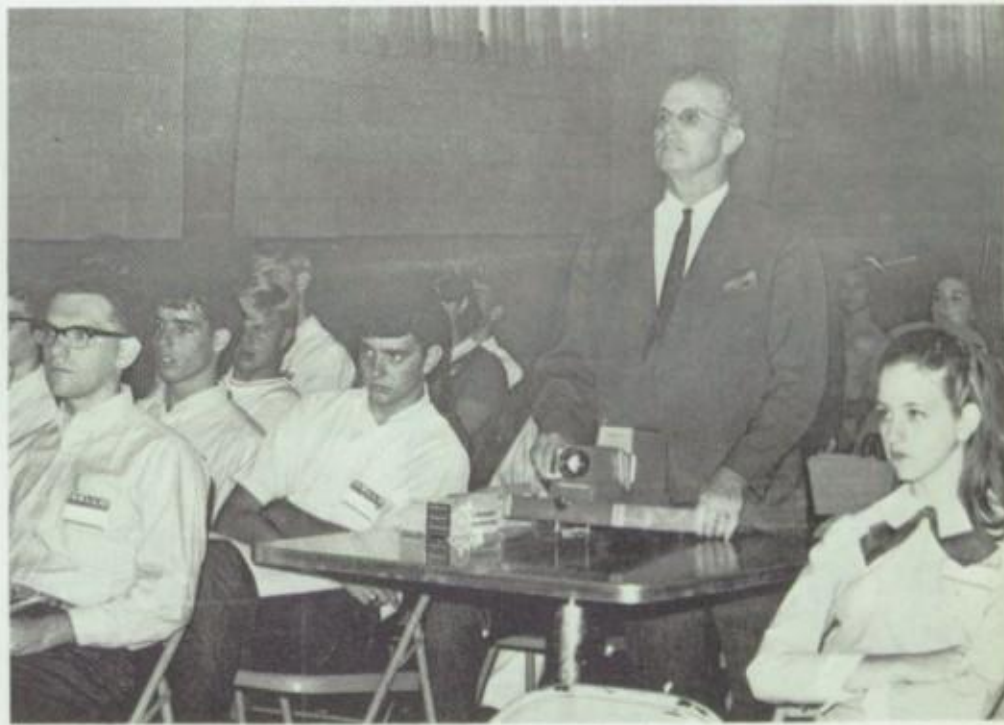
Byrd's Student Council was made entirely of students. The Legislative Branch of the Council was composed of a representative and an alternate elected from each homeroom. The Executive Branch consisted of six officers elected by the student body and fourteen committee chairmen appointed by the President. Miss Jerry Malone served as Faculty Advisor.



A highlight of the installation of officers for the 1968-69 Student Council was a presentation of the Nellie B. Strother Citizenship Award.



Congressman Joe D. Waggoner was the special guest speaker of the school in an assembly sponsored by the Student Council. Danny Booras, Elliott Stonecipher, and Cindy Dorfman served on the panel that asked questions of Congressman Waggoner.



Mr. J. H. Duncan showed to the Byrd Leadership Day delegates his color slides of the National Student Council Leadership Conference which was held in Estes Park, Colorado.



SENIOR ALTERNATES

Front row: Bill Alexander, Ted Bryson, Cesca Russell, Carol Ellis, Rande Hedgcock, Rebecca Angeles, Sandy Verhalen. *Second row:* Scotty Lyons, Nancy Spencer, Glenna Gallaspy, Tina Necking, Edith Stevens, Ray-nelle Smith, Debbie Crosslin, Annette Priest, Alan Prater. *Third row:* Brenda Hodge, Mark Massey, Bill Parker, Joseph DiFilippo, Beth Grabill, Lynne McMahon, Leroy Foster Jr., David Head.



The 1969 Student Council officers were: *Front row:* Sarah Howard, Secretary; Elliott Stonecipher, Treasurer; Janet Marvin, Parliamentarian. *Second row:* Bob Minder, Vice President; Bill Clark, Sergeant-at-Arms; Danny Booras, President.



LEFT: The Executive Committee Chairmen were: *Front row:* Don Birkelback, Stage Manager; Gay Greengus, Organization; Cindy Dorfman, SASC President. *Second row:* Haller Jackson, Assembly; Diane Askew, Calendar and Scrapbook; Betty Shields, Executive Secretary; Al Hand, Assembly.

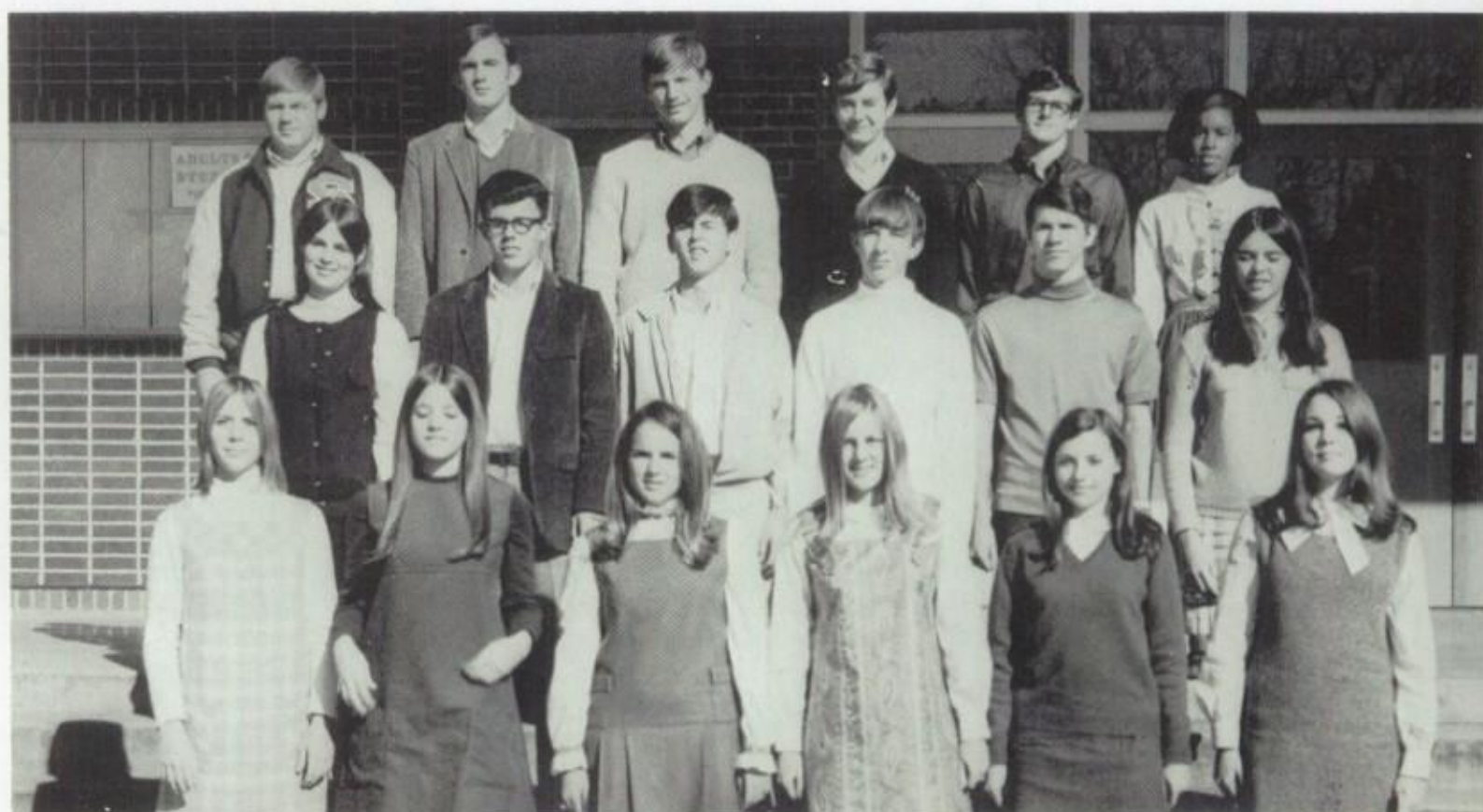
Byrd Was President



ABOVE: Supervision of the parking lot was but one of the many services provided by the Student Council. Chris Anthony, Steve Middleton, Bill Clark, and faculty sponsor Mr. James Rife patrolled for parking violations.

JUNIOR REPRESENTATIVES AND ALTERNATES

Front row: Mary Terrill, Ann Younker, Ann Thorne-Thomson, Debbie Crawford, Candy Pardue, Emily Lafitte. *Second row:* Susan Young, David Stephens, Andrew McCarter, Tim Wells, Lynn Westbrook, Charmaine Davenport. *Third row:* John Morgan, Randy Scoggin, Rusty Simmons, Barron O'Neal, Skipper Peel, Dianne Parks.



of the SASC



Above: Student Council sponsor, Miss Jere Malone, and Assembly sponsor, Mr. Max Edmondson, helped guide and advise the council to a successful year.



"Merry Christmas with Sammy Claus" was the theme of this winner of the door decorations contest. Adding final touches were, clockwise, Catherine Murrell, Beverly Taylor, Lynn McMahon, and Robert Mabry. The winners were: the Band Room, 115, 214, and 302.



The 1969 Executive Committee Chairmen were: *Front row:* Martha Wilson, Publicity; Nancy Coats, Recreation; Chris Anthony, Parking Lot. *Second row:* Rick Hawkins, School Store; Grey Teekell, Recreation; Patti Falk, Courtesy; Rhonda Cross, Operation PAL.



SOPHOMORE REPRESENTATIVES AND ALTERNATES

Front row: Robert Tyson, Steve Redden, Frances Whatley, Leslie Watkins, Cindy Murrell, Renee Skannal, Julie Weinmar. *Second row:* John Sonnenberger, Paul Massey, Tom Rademacher, Jim Cowles, Kay Harlan, Donna Jones.

LE CERCLE FRANÇAIS



Officers of the 1968-69 Le Cercle Français were: Gay Greengus, Vice-President; Rande Hedgecock, Secretary; Chris Gresham, President; Ann Levy, Treasurer; and Diane Askew, Vice-President.



Members of Le Cercle Français enjoyed the tasty refreshments from the gaily decorated table at their Christmas party.

Le Cercle Français, Byrd's oldest organization, sponsored by Miss Jane Rucker, opened its first meeting of the year with a French interpretation of "Goldilocks and the Three Bears." Done completely in French, members of the club portrayed the characters. It proved to be a very amusing and interesting experience for everyone. Slides of France and a speaker highlighted another Le Cercle Français meeting. On a more lighthearted note, the French Club members played games of French Bingo and sang Christmas carols in French at the December meeting. Delicious refreshments, prepared by the members, are served at each monthly meeting. After the program and refreshments, the meetings are adjourned by the presiding officer.



Listening to recordings in French improves the student's ability to understand the language. Candy Covington, Harriet Jennette, and Bernard Johnson listened to one of the dialogues.

Presented a French Play



Front row: Dick Levy, Larry Larsen, Mary Ann McLure, Vicki Hardgrove, Mary Long, Kathleen McBride, Harriett Jeannette, Kathy Kite, Charlie Mae Hicks. *Second row:* Bob Kyle, Leslie Holder, Pam Lynn, Gail Kottle, Betsy Gresham, Judy Hitchcock, Janet Marvin, Julia Minor, Karen Griswold, Kathy Jackson. *Third row:* Judy Hardtner, Amy Lerner, Carla Mitchell, Orie Hunter, Haller Jackson, Bernard Johnson, Gerry Marley, Judy Ann Jones.



Front row: Michele Willingham, Shirley Turner, Jo Ann Reeks, Martha Terzia, Karen Carter, Carolyn Nelson, Denise Switzer, Elaine Shipp, Martha Kurz. *Second row:* Dori Wafer, Pam McIntosh, Virginia Mitchell, Virginia Stroud, Tim Wells, Charlee Smith, Cesca Russell, Camille Sample, Roslyn Murov, Elizabeth Pennington. *Third row:* Ann Younker, Claire Shaw, Helen Jones, Richard Leber, Skip Stentz, Lucian Blansett, Cecilia Robertson, Tina Necking, Pam Willis, Stephanie Woolhandler, Patty Whited.

Front row: Marilou Bryant, Alicia Edwards, Susan Ebarb, Kay Corbin, Scotty Comegys, Anne Butcher, Rebel Brown, Thomas Boddie, Jim Cowles. *Second row:* Nancy Creamer, Susan Young, Kay Coombs, Gale Guess, Linda Collins, Elizabeth Eglin, Candy Covington, Lynda Boydston, Tom Blansett, Charles Gadpaille. *Third row:* Dave Ginsburg, Brenda Flournoy, Ginger Fortson, Janet Gammill, Nancy Coats, Carol Ellis, Margaret Bailey, Steve Adcock, Prissy Carter.



DISTRIBUTIVE EDUCATION Trained

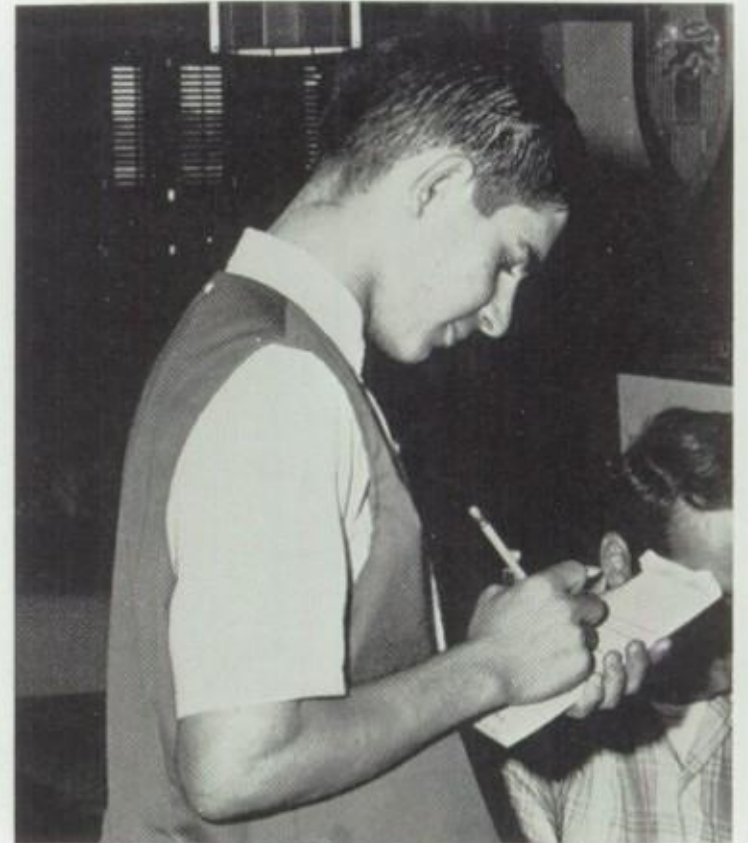


Officers for 1968-1969: Sam Johnston, President; Amanda Ford, Secretary-Treasurer.

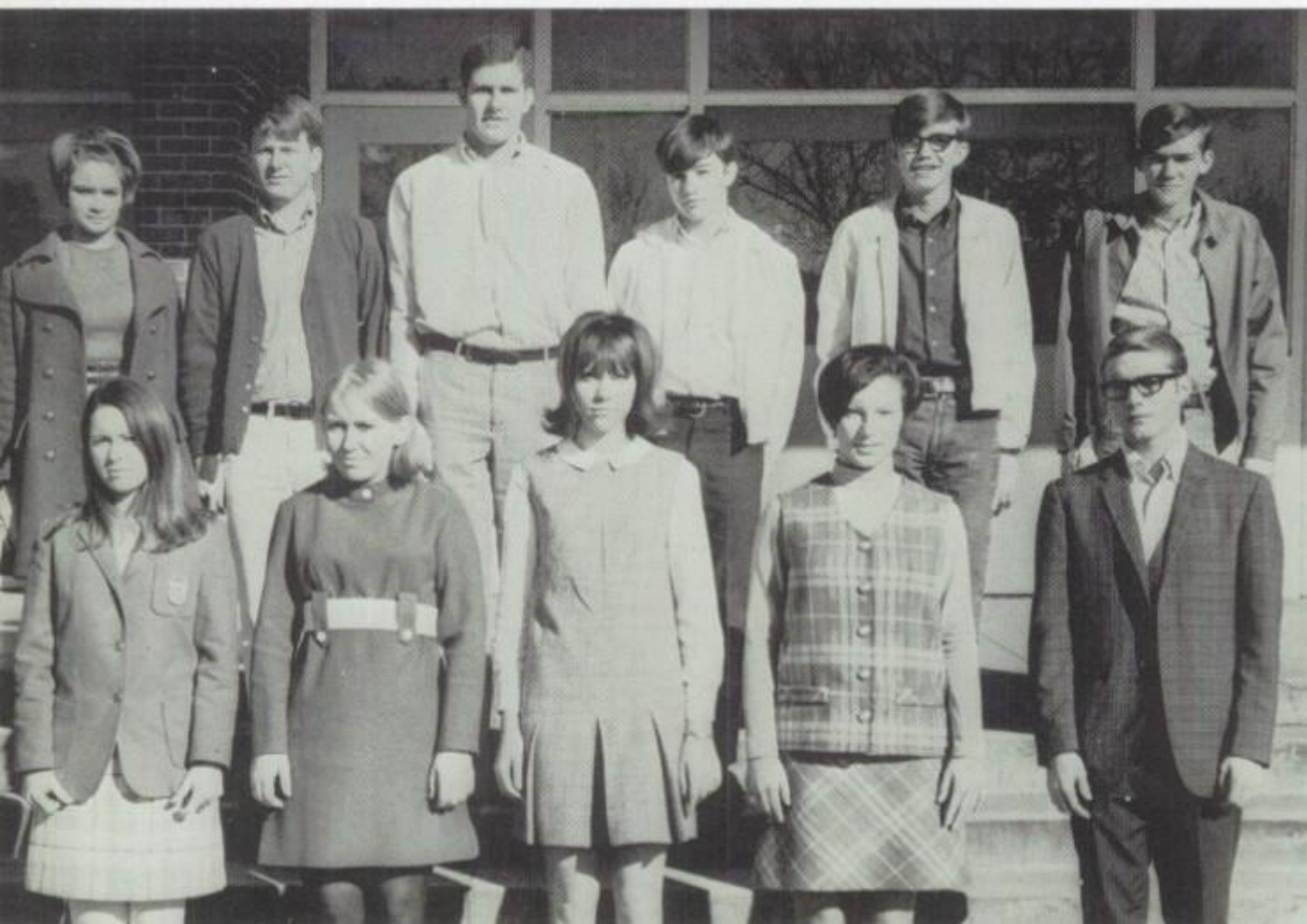
The grocery boy who carries out sack after sack of food, the ever-smiling waitress who attempts to make every meal a pleasure, the amiable salesman who always tries to please the customer—all these labels may be applied to the varied members of the Byrd Distributive Education program. Students participating in this organization receive on-the-job training and are skilled in such varied business activities as the retail, wholesale, and service-selling fields. D.E. students attend three classes a day and then proceed to their various vocations, where they spend the rest of the day "earning while they learn." Activities opened to D.E. students are the Employer-Employee Banquet, the Faculty and Businessmen's coffees, and the state and national conventions. Sponsored by Mrs. Alice Stravelemos, both juniors and seniors are eligible for membership and the chance to receive a place in the fascinating world of business early in life.



Keeping all articles of clothing in an attractive and orderly manner was only one of Amanda Ford's many responsibilities at a downtown department store.



Helpful service and a smiling face make any meal taste better. Mike Tartarilla took an order from a customer at a local restaurant.



Front row: Kim Ricks, Linda Goode, June Hutchins, Annette Priest, Barton Wilden. Second row: Jill Sanford, John Shidler, Bill Thurmon, Sam Reno, William Hatcher, Charles Bryan

by Actual Experience



John Shidler carries out our everyday necessities as part of the work he does at a local chain store.



Friendly and dependable service are two trademarks of the work performed by Esther Whitlock at a city drugstore.

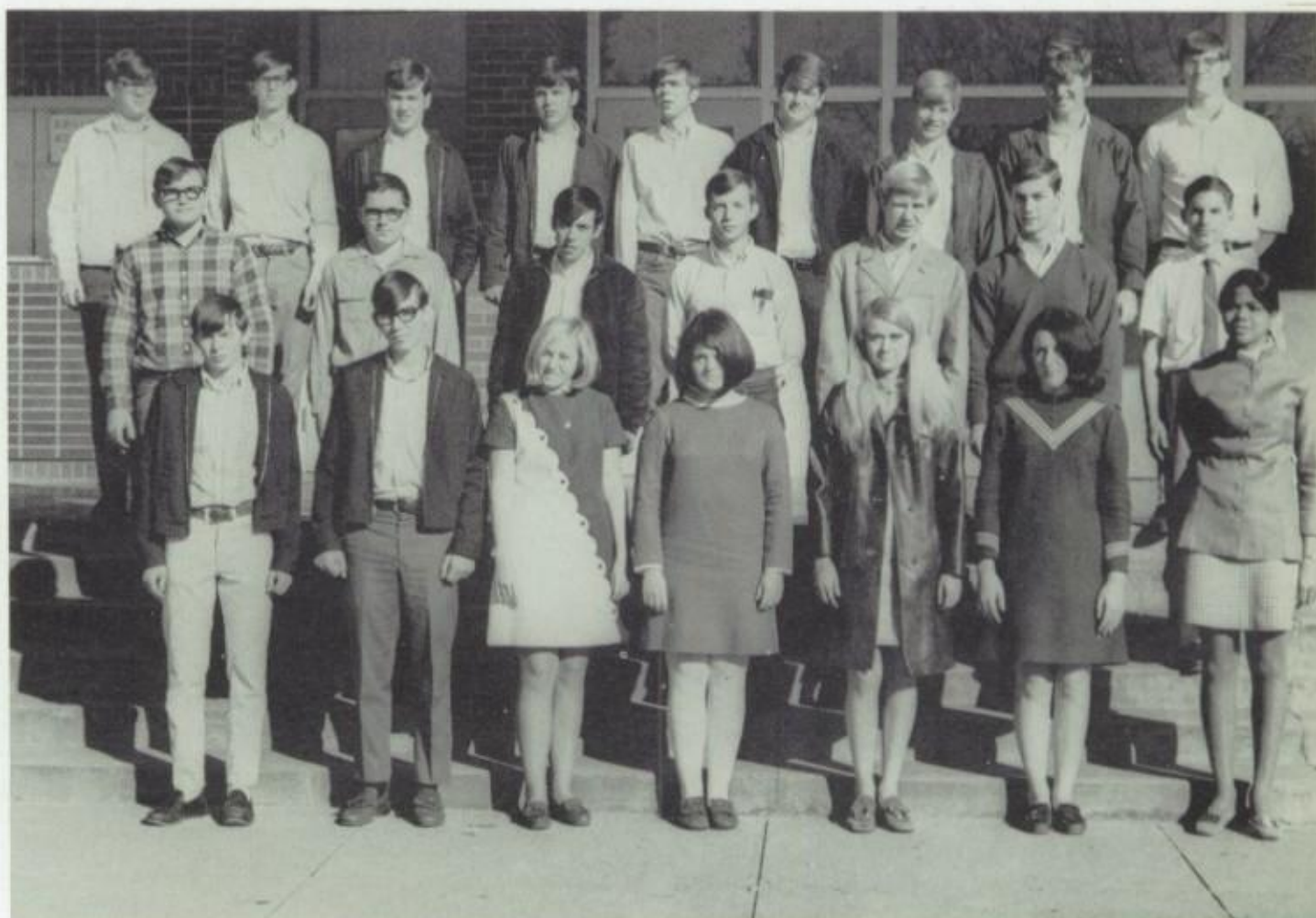


Filling another customer's gas tank is just one of the many jobs handled by Charles Bryan at a local car wash.



Paul Abney learns valuable lessons in the art of salesmanship every day at a suburban clothing store.

Front row: Mike Moreau, Sammy Ricord, Vicki Valentine, Joan Crain, Georgia Jobron, Margaret Fallis, Mattie Williams. *Second row:* Donald Stevenson, Gerald Howard, Richard Bartholomew, Bill Alexander, Paul Abney, Eddie Fort, Michael Tartarilla. *Third row:* Ray McKibben, Jimmy Lightfoot, Kent Cage, Mark McDade, Jimmy Hatcher, Jeff Roberts, Gary Roberts, Steve Palmer, Gene Tindall.



SPIRIT SQUAD Became



This year's Spirit Squad officers were *Front row*: Ronnie Golden, Sgt.-at-Arms; Allen Gaines, President; Mike Clark, Vice President; Alan Prater, Secretary-Treasurer. *Second row*: Herby Rubenstein, Sgt.-at-Arms; Rickey Maddox, Sgt.-at-Arms; Steve Adcock, Honorary Member; Rick Hawkins, Sgt.-at-Arms. *Third row*: Mr. James Rife, Sponsor.



Members of the Spirit Squad cheered on the Jackets to a victory over Fair Park.

In its second year of existence, Byrd's Spirit Squad helped to build higher school spirit during the football season as well as the basketball season. The club this year was made up of ninety members, fifty seniors and forty juniors, all of whom devoted much of their spare time to making banners and posters for football games.

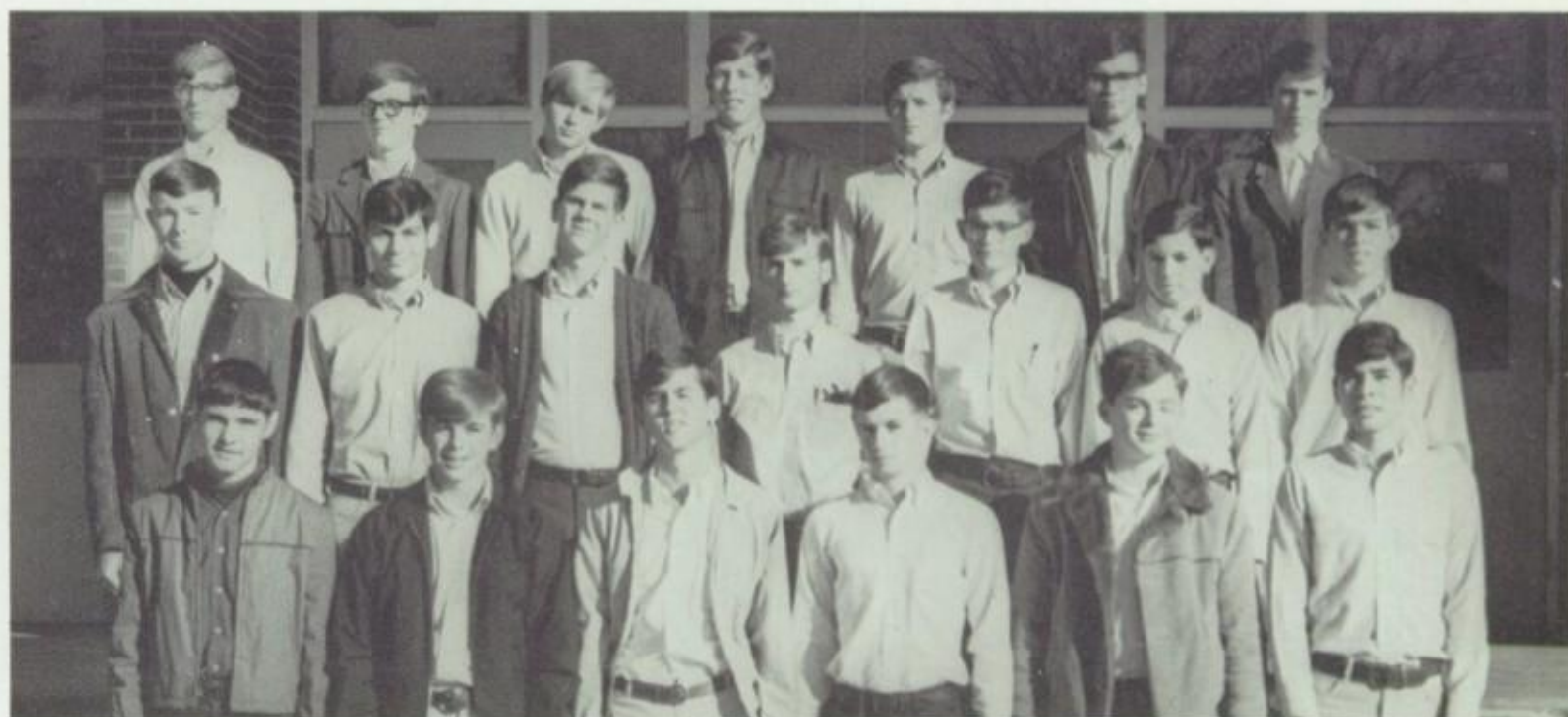
This year's sponsor was Mr. James Rife.

The Spirit Squad in 1968 began their year by having sweat shirts made and distributed among its members. Its Senior or Junior Representative had possession of the "Spirit Stick" during football games.

Front row: Thomas Boddie, Kit Gamble, Norman Cox, Danny Adams, Jim Anthony, James Fowler. *Second row*: Phil Boswell, Rob Fulton, Michael Freed, Charles Gadpaille, Gary Casio, Bryan Brown, Gary Covington. *Third row*: David Adams, Don Birkelbach, Mike Clark, Randall Braselton, Bill Clark, Chet Cooper, Calhoun Allen.



School Sponsored Club



Front row: Wayne Murphy, Jimmy Lenoir, Andrew McCarter, David Morgan, Gilbert Hetherwick, Bob Kyle. *Second row:* Pat Harrington, David Ginsburg, Stephen King, Mark Strand, Steve Hightower, Tommy Landrum, Dick Levy. *Third row:* Ronnie Hendrix, Louis Miller, Bob Guillot, Bobby McCreight, Grey Townsend, David Head, Mike Harrell.



Left: Mr. James Rife, Spirit Squad Sponsor, helped build spirit on Go-West Day.

Right: Mike Clark, Herby Rubenstein, and Allen Gaines put up posters to build spirit for the Northwood game.



Front row: Glenn Shearer, Steve Smith, Tim Wells, Johnny Wheeler, Tommie Ray, Jack Shuey. *Second row:* Elmer Savell, John Peddy, Charles Sale, Collins Nix, Barren O'Neal, David Stephens, William Norton. *Third row:* Ben King, Mark Warren, Robert Adams, Rusty Simmons, Jimmy Walker, Charles Scholz, Skipper Peel.



Collins Nix
President



Charles Sale
Vice-President



Barron O'Neal
Secretary-Treasurer

SCIENCE CLUB Visited



One of the latest projects of the Science Department was the Vandergraph generator which was being admired by Randall Brasetton and Rhonda Holmes.

"There will be a meeting of the Science Club this afternoon in room 115." This announcement found on the afternoon sheet about every three weeks always promised more than a boring business meeting. Distinguished speakers from Shreveport research laboratories and current films on achievements made in the fields of science were popular programs this year. A special treat was a field trip to the United Gas Laboratory so that members might see for themselves science at work. For the first time Byrd Science Club delegates had the opportunity to visit the International Science Fair in Waco, Texas.



Ellen Alexander



Tommy Berry



Randall Brasetton



Robert Butcher



Karen Carter



Norman Cox



Ted Dienst



Donna Dotson



Leroy Foster



Michael Freed



Kit Gamble



Charles Gadpaille



Allen Gaines



Billy Guin



Al Hand



Mike Harrell



Pat Harrington



Steve Hightower

United Gas Laboratory

Byrd High School's Science Club under the direction of Mr. James D. White has fulfilled its goal of presenting a challenge to all its members interested in broadening their knowledge of science outside the classroom. This challenge was to take the information given in the meetings and go a step further with it to apply this knowledge to everyday life and in this way improve the environment in which we live.



Before a meeting members may browse around the physics room to satisfy a typical scientific curiosity. Karen Carter and Steve Palmer investigated a working model of a Geiger counter.



Haller Jackson



Donna Kimbell



Kim Kayser



Stephen King



Tommy Landrum



Wyatt Lightfoot



Ricky Maddox



Mike Malec



Patricia Murphy



Wayne Murphy



Bill Parker



Allen Ross



Herby Rubenstein



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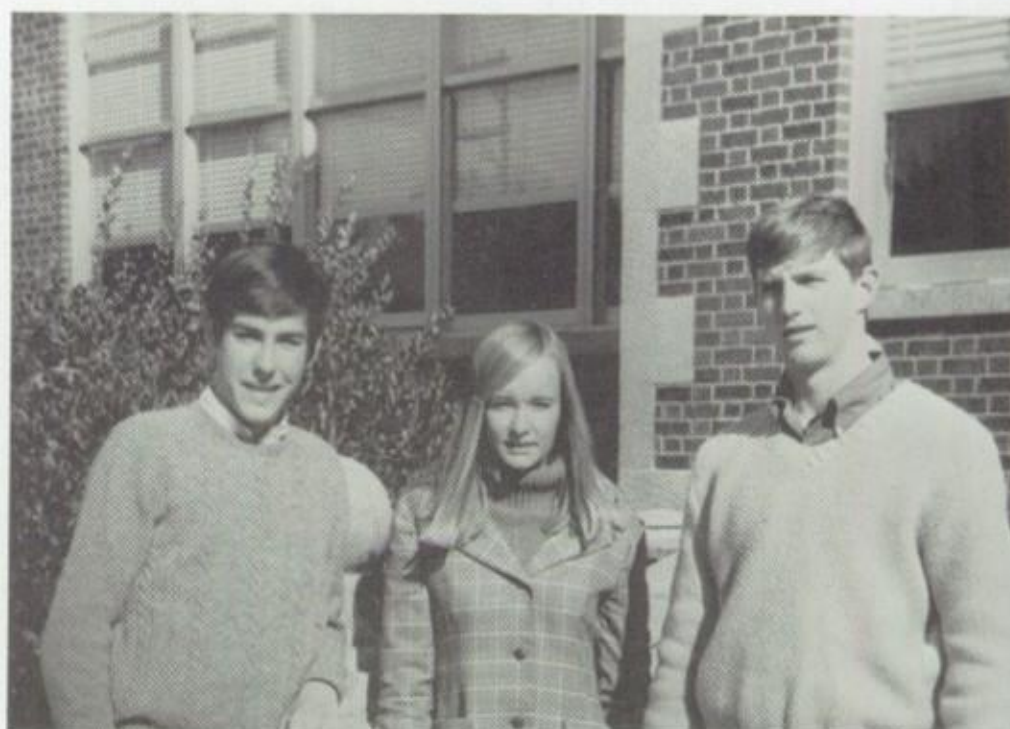
Front row: Jane Sullivan, Carmen Narcolli, Laura Walton, Lavonda Camp, Linda Hartwell, Texas Tucker. *Second row:* Paul Porterfield, Gayle Dodson, Gilbert Hetherwick, Nancy Ogletree, Martha Thomas, Francis Kayser, Ginny Walke. *Third row:* Randy Turner, Steve Middleton, Debbie Miller, Bill McCutchen, Donna Jones.



LOS VECINOS Heard Spanish Speakers

Los Vecinos introduced students to the magic and mystery of Spain and the other Latin American countries. Through meetings on the second Wednesday of each month, members of the club gained knowledge of Spanish traditions and culture. Among the many colorful aspects of Spanish life which students discovered were folk songs, native dances, and popular heroes. Unique programs—talks, movies, games—unveiled to each club member the splendor and glory of Spain, its people and its language.

Los Vecinos was fortunate to have some speakers from Mexico and other Latin American nations discuss their native customs and history. The traditional breaking of the piñata was observed at the annual Christmas Party. Climaxing an exciting year, the banquet was held in May at a local Spanish restaurant. The menu for the evening included tortillas, tacos, tamales, and enchiladas. Mrs. Irbie Lawrence sponsored Los Vecinos this year.



OFFICERS

Chris Eddy	<i>President</i>
Cathy Fryer	<i>Treasurer</i>
Rusty Simmons	<i>Vice President</i>



Front row: Peter Minder, Carolyn Stigall, Sandra Bryant, Leslie Watkins, Carol Cannon, Rusty Webb. *Second row:* Randy Holloway, Fannell Watts, Steph Watkins, Theresa Smith, Ruth Davison, Alice Hunter. *Third row:* Jimmy Walker, John Holcomb, Dede James, Becky Hall, Pearlie Johnson, Mike Noble.

NATIONAL SPANISH HONOR SOCIETY Inducted Nine

Being born with seventeen members—all seniors, Byrd's chapter of the National Spanish Honor Society received its charter on March 23, 1968. The DeSoto Chapter at Byrd holds membership in the national group that is sponsored by the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese which recognizes high achievement in Spanish by students in secondary schools. The group created a continuity of interest in Hispanic languages and culture. To be eligible, a student must have at least a 3.0 average for three semesters. Of the 167 competing for the honor, only nine earned full membership. In the entire United States less than 2,000 attained this level in 1968, and in some years many chapters are able to add no new members. Thus, Byrd's newest honor group is among the largest chapter in the nation. The N.S.H.S. which is sponsored by Mrs. Irbie Lawrence, closed its year at the Byrd Youth Center with an impressive installation ceremony conducted entirely in Spanish.



Penny Dove displayed the plaque designating the legality of Byrd's Chapter of the National Spanish Honor Society.



Celebrating a Spanish holiday, Polly Stoddard, Petesie Hadra, Susie Wilkes, Maud Cole, Chet Cooper, Betty Shields, Carla Neel, and Glenna Gallaspy took part in the old spanish custom of breaking the piñata.

Penny Dove, Secretary, and Petesie Hadra, President of the newly formed National Spanish Honor Society, discussed the membership qualifications.



INTERACT Sold Christmas Trees



Tom Teasley
President



Billy Guin
Vice-President



Jay Welch
Treasurer



Collins Nix
Secretary



Interact sponsors for this year were: *Back row:* Barbara Williams, Edith Stevens, Patty Whited. *Middle row:* Cindy Haney, and Betsy Gresham. *Front row:* Rebel Brown.

Interact is the name of one of Byrd High's public service clubs. The club helped charities and different organizations with their various projects. This year Interact added greatly to its long list of school and community services. The members participated in the American Legion Poppy sale and the "Lock Your Car" campaign. The group spent much time working for charity organizations such as the March of Dimes, the Muscular Dystrophy Drive, and the St. Jude's Hospital Fund. Interact also sold Christmas Trees. The money

from these trees, 260 dollars, was used to support an orphan in Operation Plan. To top off the year, the members of Interact attended a state wide convention in Alexandria, Louisiana. At this convention the leaders of next year's club learned many useful ideas in assisting the public. Aiding Interact in its projects this year were Mr. Irv Leimbrook, the Rotary Club sponsor, and Mr. H. F. Holman, the faculty sponsor.



Steve Adcock



Mike Clark



Allen Gaines



Mark Gardner



Ronnie Golden



Tommy Ham



Mike Harrell



Rick Hawkins



Haller Jackson



Alan Koelemay

for Operation Plan



Randy Scoggin and Jimmy Trichel prepared the Christmas tree lot from which Interact sold the trees. The money made was used to adopt an orphan overseas in Operation Plan.



Haller Jackson, Tom Teasley, Collins Nix, and Steve Adcock helped back stage in preparation for the Byrd Talent Show. Interact was one of the service clubs helping with the props.



Tommy Landrum



Wyatt Lightfoot



Rickey Maddox



Mike Rasberry



Herby Rubenstein



Charles Sale



Randy Scoggin



Jack Shuey



Randy West

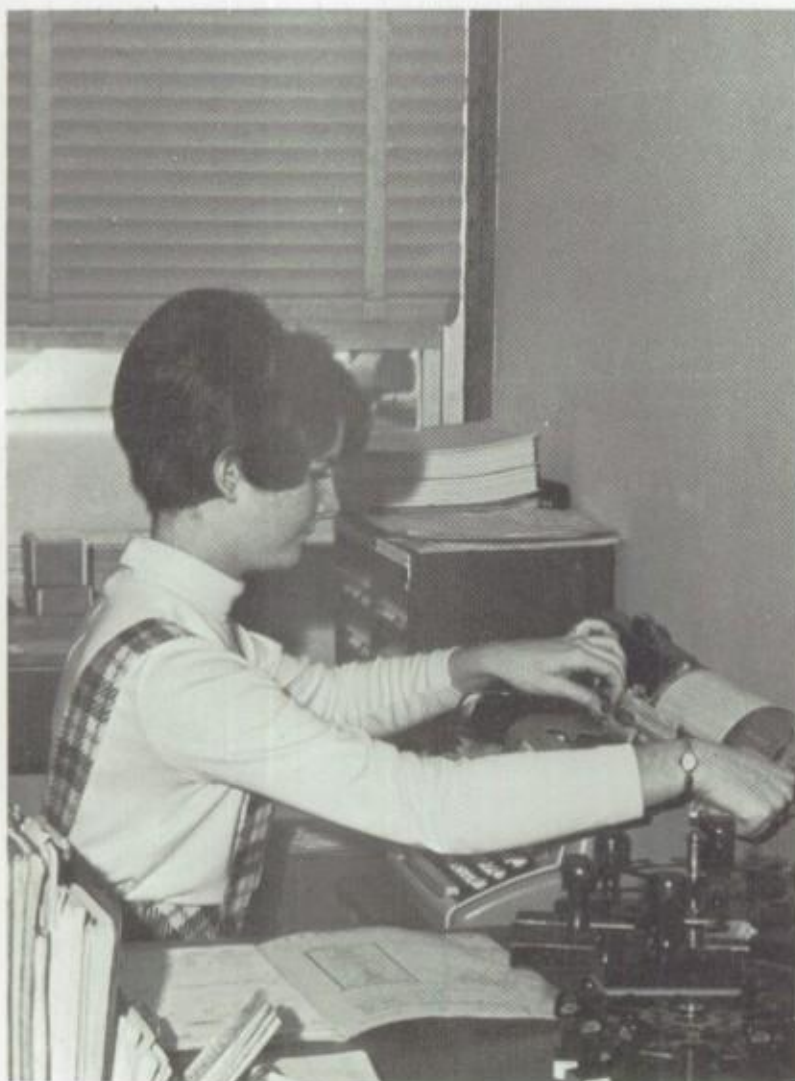


Organization is of top priority in a school library. Patricia Walsworth offered her services to the upkeep of the card catalog at Hamilton Terrace Junior High School.

Students Organized COOPERATIVE



Enterprising young members of the COE Club were: *Front row:* Debbie Holt, Pat Olwell, Irene Woodall, Elizabeth Montgomery, and Patricia Walsworth. *Second row:* Claire Jackson, Claire Baird, Robert Hamilton, Barbara Grayson, and Mary Neal.



When any insurance company is mentioned, thoughts automatically turn to the many forms to be typed and filled out. Claire Jackson was a valuable asset to a local firm, using her abilities to make the work load lighter.

The teen-agers in these pictures are not merely students at Byrd High School, but are also secretaries, librarians, newspaper workers, and great assets to their city. What gives them opportunities to serve community as well as their school? COE! Their Cooperative Office Education vocational training is a program for high school seniors which not only teaches classroom theory, but also allows students to put theory into action in the form of afternoon jobs. It is a program designed for students who plan to enter a field in business and for businessmen who desire to employ personnel on a part-time basis. Many Byrd students benefited from COE this year. Not only did they gain profits from their own work, but they also learned from discussions concerning each other's jobs.

Led by their sponsor, Mrs. Alice Stravolemos, members of the Cooperative Office Education Club also shared in fun-filled activities such as going on field trips to IBM and United Gas, enjoying a Christmas party and Easter egg hunt, and hearing very interesting speakers. Cooperative Office Education has proved itself not only to be worthwhile as a study in high school and future life, but it has also given participants precious memories of their years at Byrd.



Debbie Holley aided in the women's clothing section of a local department store.

OFFICE EDUCATION Club



Desk work, a vital phase of a newspaper's life, is made lighter by the efforts of Patricia Ann Olwell, working at a local paper.



C.O.E. Officers were: Molly Hayes, Secretary-Treasurer; Marvin Rubenstein, President; Amanda Eslick, Vice-President.

Working afternoons as a copy boy gave Steve Goodgion an understanding of newspaper life.



Secretarial work is necessary to the operation of a large department store. Barbara Grayson worked in the office recording purchases.

J.M.L. Encouraged



Nancy Nader, honored with the award for having contributed the most time to the J.M.L., sorted some of the many gifts collected by members of the club for the children in the Shriner's Hospital and the Confederate Memorial Hospital.

Giggles of shy joy are heard in a once quiet hospital ward of listless children; the J.M.L. is distributing gifts at the Shriner's Hospital. Hope lights the eyes of an aged woman for a moment of pleasure; a J.M.L. girl is talking with her, reminding her that someone cares. J.M.L. is an organization made up of girls who sincerely care about others and who are interested in a nursing career. In return for their time and devotion, they are given an opportunity to work in local nursing homes and hospitals.

Guests representing various divisions of the medical field presented speeches at many of the J.M.L.'s monthly meetings. Sponsored by Mrs. Phalamae Gray, the J.M.L. has given a Christmas party for the children at both the Shriner's Hospital and the Confederate Memorial Hospital every year since the club's founding in 1963. Gifts were collected by the members of the Junior Medical League and presented to the small patients.

At the end of a busy year, a banquet was held to honor the girl who had given the most hours to working in hospitals and who had done the best work. Nancy Nader was the recipient of this award.

Front row: Jani Anderson, Susi Brown, Patricia Johnson, Paula Sneed, Sharon Porter, Sheri Twomey. Second row: Donna Rose, Michele Willingham, Gaye Perry, Terry Lazarus, Martha Terzia, Karen Mann. Third row: Judy Hitchcock, Margaret Bailey, Beth Grabill, Dee James, Nancy Nader, Pat Cook.



Discussing which hospitals and which nursing homes to work in were Martha Flucker, Janice Holland, and Cynthia Chamberlain.

Medical Careers

Officers for this year were Debbie Holt, Vice President; LaNell Barnes, Corresponding Secretary; Kathy Smith, Recording Secretary; Martha Wilson, President.



Front row: Mary Neal, Genet Smith, Kathy Knipp, Amanda Eslick, Sondera Malry, Cynthia Lindenmayer. *Second row:* Lela Stonerock, Suzy Sklar, Rhonda Cross, Debbie Lomax, Joanna Price, Margo Crooks.



Sheri Twomey and Cynthia Chamberlain displayed the uniforms which members of the J.M.L. wore while they were working in the hospitals.



Nancy Nader and Martha Wilson looked at the J.M.L. scrapbook and gained a better understanding of the worthwhile work done by members of the club in past years.

THESPIANS Performed Christmas



Serving as officers for the Thespians this year were Martha Kurz, Co-President; Michele Willingham, Co-President; Judy Hardtner, Secretary; Ben King, Vice-President; Nancy Nader, Clerk.

The smell of grease paint, the glare of lights, and nerve-tingling excitement are the unforgettable new experiences of each Thespian member. In its third year of national affiliation, Byrd's Thespian Society presented many types of drama to promote school interest and enthusiasm for their art. Sponsored until mid-term by Mr. Ed Bacilla and for the last semester by Mrs. Kay Crow, the Thespians enacted a reader's theater as well as performed their annual Christmas skit for the children at Confederate Memorial Hospital. In addition to doing a puppet show and putting on a radio play for the Veteran's Hospital, they also studied the techniques of acting as they enjoyed the actual performance of a Little Theater production. Through these various activities, the Thespians helped to enrich the lives of their audiences and also gained knowledge which will serve them in the future.



The children of the Veteran's Hospital thoroughly enjoyed the Thespian's presentation of "The Little Christmas Tree." Rehearsing for the play are Adrienne Poss, Martha Kurz, Judy Hardtner, Janet Gammill, and Michele Willingham.

Front row: Sherri Cornett, Julie Weimar, Susan Ebarb, Gaye Perry. Second row: Elaine Rainey, Mary Mika, Pat Harrington, Debbie Crawford, Becky Hall.



Play for Veteran's Hospital



Front row: Dorothy Richardson, Judy Cohen, Diane Chandler, Diane Crain, Elaine Shipp, Carla Jantuoild. *Second row:* Alice Fenton, Kathy Wurzbarger, Molly Hayes, Rachel Ginsburg, Cathy Shriver, Donna Evans. *Third row:* Margie Belk, Cindy Wayman, June Lawrence, Janet Gammill, Ginger Fortson, Janet Johnson, Joyce Hollingsworth.

At Christmas, the Thespians performed for the children of the Veteran's Hospital. The play, presented by Julie Weimar, Elaine Shipp, Sherri Cornett, and Becky Hall, was enjoyed by all, as was the visit from Santa Claus, which followed the skit.

Enjoying delicious refreshments at their annual Christmas party are Judy Hardtner, Gaye Perry, Molly Hayes, Donna Evans, and Janet Gammill.



BRUSH AND PALETTE Raised

Door stickers in the form of cowboy hats, boots, and spurs were made and placed on classrooms by members of Brush and Palette. Fort Byrd was a new addition to the traditional Go West Day ceremonies; the fort was constructed and painted by the art students. Brush and Palette members were a great help to the cheerleaders and the Student Council in drawing Go West Day banners; two important banners this year were the football and basketball banners portraying the athletes drawn by the club members. For the first year, the Art Department made spirit tags for basketball season.

Christmas was celebrated by a party, and holiday cards were made to send to a home for the elderly. All the cards were put on a large cardboard frame to make a giant Christmas card.

Brush and Palette, sponsored by Mrs. Johnnie Jordan, held an art sale in May. Paintings and other art works made by the art students, were displayed and sold.



This year's Brush and Palette Officers were Debbie Crosslin, President; Gilbert Hetherwick, Sgt.-at-Arms; Nancy Creamer, Secretary; Cecilia Robertson, Treasurer; and Teresa Shelton, Vice President.



Front row: Kathy Knipp, Gay Greengus, Harriett Jennette, Joyce Hollingsworth, Karen Heinsohn. *Second row:* Lynne Harper, Ivy Hedgcock, Rhoda Link, Lora Grounds, Ann Lang. *Third row:* Dede James, Rande Hedgcock, Sara Howard, Judy Hitchcock, Beth Grabill, John Morgan.

Front row: Billie Roe, Jackie Stanley, Helen Rosenkrans, Sharon Porter, Sheri Twomey, Molly Nolen, Donna Rose, Richie Woodall. *Second row:* Marsha Robertson, Claire Shaw, Cindy Waits, Vicki Prather, Gaye Perry, Trisha Murphy, Carla Neel. *Third row:* Susie Wilkes, Dorothy Stephens, Sam Whitaker, Beverly Taylor, Charles Scholz, Virginia Stroud, Anita Tombleson.



Go West Day Spirit

Putting finishing touches on the mural, which was begun last year, are Susan Fleming, Elmer Savell and Ginger Fortson.



Front row: Hugh Durrett, Lynda Boydston, Kay Corbin, Camilla Bolch, Becky Angeles. *Second row:* Carol Ellis, Cathy Fryer, Rhonda Cross, Kay Coombs, Sally Box, Susan Fleming. *Third row:* Ellen Evans, Peggy Allen, Bill Dudley, Calhoun Allen, Carol Endicott, Ginger Fortson.



Remembering the aged at Christmas, members of Brush and Palette made a giant Christmas card for a nursing home. Making the card are Bill Dudley, Charlee Smith, Debbie Crosslin, Ellen Evans, and Teresa Shelton.



Serving as officers of FTA for 1968-69 were: *Front row:* Linda Anderson, Treasurer; Laura Cascio, Secretary; Cindy Wayman, President. *Second row:* Janet Johnson, Librarian-Parliamentarian; Sally Box, Historian-Reporter; Elizabeth Rogers, Vice-President.



Celebrating their Christmas Party were FTA members. *Front row:* Pat Jones, Elizabeth Rogers, Molly Hayes, Cindy Wayman, Laura Cascio. *Second row:* Gayle Dodson, Linda Anderson, Scotty Comegys, and Theresa Smith.

FTA Sold School Records

Interested in a career in teaching, members of the Future Teachers of America became involved in the opportunities and problems of the teaching profession. Meetings, held once a month, featured speakers from the field of education. This year's speakers were Mrs. Mary Clyde Wintle, Assistant Principal of Byrd, and Miss Neva Norsworthy, teacher at L.S.U.—Shreveport. Through help from the speakers and the club's sponsor, Mrs. Edna Jewel Morgan, the members learned the character

and personality requirements for a good teacher.

Members of the club served Byrd on Go-To-School Night when they directed parents to the correct classrooms, and again on Teacher Appreciation Day, when help was rendered to teachers in any way possible. The yearly project of the future teachers was the distribution of "school record" booklets. The booklets were sold to earn money for the club's expenses.



Front row: Molly Hayes, Rhoda Link, LaNell Barnes, Karen Heinsohn, Billie Roe, Scotty Comegys. *Second row:* Theresa Smith, Ruth Bains, Pat Jones, Gayle Dodson, Mary Neal.

F.C.A. Heard Prominent Religious Athletes



Co-Captain
Bill Parker



Co-Captain
Tom Teasley



Secretary-Treasurer
Craig Flournoy



Program Chairman
Larry Larsen

Knowing that there is more to school life than points scored on the field or on a test, athletes from the nation have united into a working group, acting upon its convictions. In its third year of existence, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes urged its members to follow Christ through the fellowship of the church. In the huddle group a wide variety of subjects were discussed. Besides these group talks, the sponsor, Mr. Gene Hamner, brought in speakers, films, and recordings of well known athletes discussing appropriate subjects. Members of the group attended the National Conference in June.



Bobby Bagley



George Bienfang



Jon Cordell



Billy Fraser



David Adams



Chris Anthony



Jim Anthony



Mike Bowden



Roy Burroughs



Mike Campbell



Bill Furlong



Allen Gaines



Cade Havard



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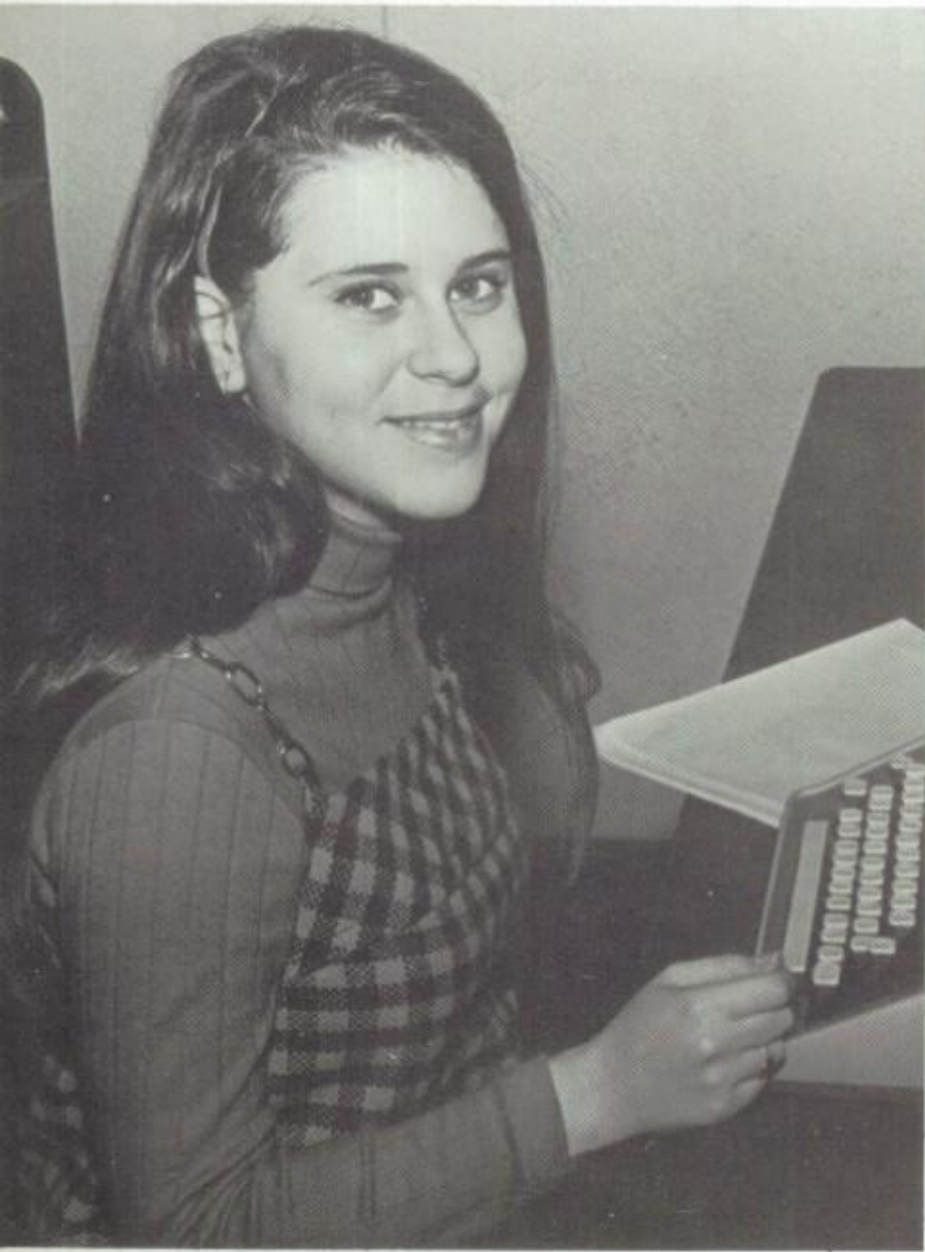


Elliot Stonecipher



F.C.A. officers Larry Larsen, Bill Parker, Tom Teasley, Craig Flournoy, and sponsor Mr. Gene Hamner discussed plans for their next meeting at which Mr. Dan Sandifer spoke.

HIGH LIFE Sent Copies to



Holding the important position of Editor-in-Chief of the "High Life" this year was Rozann Nelbert. She prepared and typed editorials which appeared in the "High Life," the school paper.

Consisting of deadlines and bylines, mock-ups and ad sales—this is the world of the Byrd "High Life." Recording news which concerned the city of Byrd during the 1968-69 school term was our own newspaper, the "High Life." This invaluable contribution, helping to keep the students of Byrd informed, was issued once every six weeks. Trying to encourage students to come to Byrd has been one of the aims of the "High Life." Copies were sent to local junior high schools to achieve this aim.

The editorial staff was sponsored by Coach Larry Rambin; this staff was in charge of writing the articles and laying out the pages of the paper.

In charge of procuring ads and promoting the "High Life" was the job of the Business Staff. This section also laid out the pages containing the advertisements. This staff was sponsored by Mrs. Mamie Breazeale during the first semester and by Mrs. Barbara Lockner in the second semester.

Mr. and Miss Mistletoe, chosen during the Christmas season by members of the two staffs, recognized two seniors who had contributed excessively to Byrd during their stay. The couple chosen for 1968 was John O'Hara and Peggy Allen.

Coach Larry Rambin, the new "High Life" sponsor, handed a local newspaper to Norma Russ for her to check on the various forms of news articles.



One group of "High Life" reporters prepared their varied stories to be used in an issue of the paper.



Local Junior High School

The two Managing Editors made mock-ups of each page used in the newspaper. Debbie Pomeroy and Susan White, holders of these positions, worked on two of these mock-ups for an issue.



Members of the Ad Staff Susi Brown, Ellice Brown, and Sandy Verhalen efficiently handled the task of soliciting advertisements for the 1968-69 issues of the **HIGH LIFE**.



Proofreading articles is a vital part of producing a newspaper. Scooter Swann, Sports Editor; Donna Kyle, News Editor; and Helene Planchard, News Editor, checked three stories for errors.

New Sponsor Chosen



Perry Peyton, Circulation Manager, and Martin Young, Business Manager, checked over ad sheets as Mike Clark, Assistant Business Manager, typed one up to send to the printer.

Delegates sent to represent the Byrd "High Life" went to a summer workshop in Shreveport for newspapers. Those having attended were Rozann Nelbert and Helene Planchard.



Writing stories constituted part of the Personality and Feature Editors' jobs. Kitty Kirkpatrick and Jane Baldrige, Personality Editors, and Camilla Bolch and George Anders, Feature Editors, checked over some of their stories.

When the issues of the newspaper were sold, members of the Circulation Staff did the selling. Several of these were Evelyn Hunt, Fred Rosenblath, Pam Willis, Leslie Watkins, Steven Smith, and Steph Watkins.



for HIGH LIFE



Sandy Verhalen, Advertising Manager; Harriett Jennette, Assistant Advertising Manager; Lynn Westbrook, Exchange Editor; and Leroy Foster, Advertising Manager, cut out ads and glued them on layout pages.



Elected Mister and Miss Mistletoe—1968 by members of the "High Life" staff were John O'Hara and Peggy Allen. Mrs. Mary Wintle presented plaques for the honor during the Christmas assembly.



Evelyn Hunt, Assistant Feature Editor and Typist, and Patsy Langford, Assistant News Editor and Typist, were given the articles to place on the mock-up.

Listening to a talk on the writing of a good news story was another group of "High Life" reporters in Coach Larry Rambin's class.



GUSHER Staff



Doug Hadra, Editor, and Gary Brownlee, Associate Editor, checked the GUSHER before the final mailing to ensure complete coverage of the past year. Doug was personally responsible for the organization of the book and proofreading of every page. Gary set up the schedules for picture-taking and created all division pages.



Debbie Crawford and Patricia Murphy checked their names and classifications from the lists posted of all students who had pictures made for the GUSHER.



David Stephens, Carol Cannon, Neal Cramer, Ginger Hagens, Patty Whited, and Mike Judlin, Business Staff members, prepared to leave to sell ads to Shreveport businessmen.

Until the final mailing, the GUSHER staff works untold hours at night, after school, and on Saturdays to assemble the book. With the aid of students and faculty, the Editorial Staff creates each page while all art work and the cover design is planned and executed by the Art Staff. Supervising the yearbook's expenses and financial problems is the responsibility of the Business Staff.

Working behind the scenes as hard as anyone were GUSHER sponsors, Miss Margee Sanders, Editorial Staff, and Mrs. Phalamae Gray, Business Staff.

Editorial Staff members Randy West, Eula Jane Norton, Susie Wilkes, and Whittney Quinn scan layouts of past yearbooks to make this year's edition different.



Created New Sections



Business Staff members Pam Lynn, Susie Ellis, Calhoun Allen, and Dick Levy prepared to sell plastic covers for the Gusher.



Nancy Spencer demonstrated to Cindy Norman, Barron O'Neal, Pam Willis, and Craig Flournoy how to use the light table for cropping pictures.



Glenna Gallaspy, Roxie Cariere, and Glenn Fallin put contracts and bills in order before mailing them to the advertiser.



Much time was spent in front of the adding machine by Scotty Lyons, Advertising Manager; and Ginny Walke, Business Manager. They were in charge of all the finances and expenses of the Gusher.



Preceding the election of new members to the staff, a coke party was held for Sophomores to get acquainted.

GUSHER STAFF Used Medium of Stars



While students were still asleep, the Gusher staff was at the school at 5:30 in the morning to prepare the books for delivery.



Serving as intricate parts in the arrangement and production of the GUSHER were: Mr. Leonard Conover, Photographer; Miss Margee Sanders, Editorial Staff Sponsor; Mrs. Phalamae Gray, Business Staff Sponsor; Gerald McCarty, Student Photographer.

Looking over old covers for some hints were Kim Kayser, Cecilia Robertson, Barbara Williams, Nancy Creamer, and Chan Teague.



Presenting the Senior Favorites was one of the highlights for the senior members of the entire staff. Following the balloting for favorites at a senior meeting in the auditorium, the seniors began working on their skit. The ballot was kept secret from the staff until the day of the assembly, when the names are added to the script. Finally the favorites are presented in personalized skits designed by the senior staff members.

One of the best kept secrets at Byrd is the arrival date of the GUSHERS. Only when the GUSHERS are being given out do the students know of their arrival. The staff has its first look at the book at the secret party which takes place the night before distribution. At 5:30 the next morning, staff members are at the school unloading the books and preparing them for delivery to the students.

Following the arrival of the GUSHERS, Candy Covington purchased a plastic cover from Business Staff member Scotty Lyons.



Carolyn Nelson, Kay Coombs, Cathy Trichel and Billy Fraser indexed students' page numbers.



to Present Senior Favorites



Father Flourney
Sister Spencer



Old Man Teague
Spirit Gallaspy



Pats Cannon
Miller Cramer



Pearl Norman
Penelope Brownlee



Spirit Hagens
Spirit Lyons



Old Lady Willis
Stingerette Kayser



Spirit Lynn
Spirit Trichel



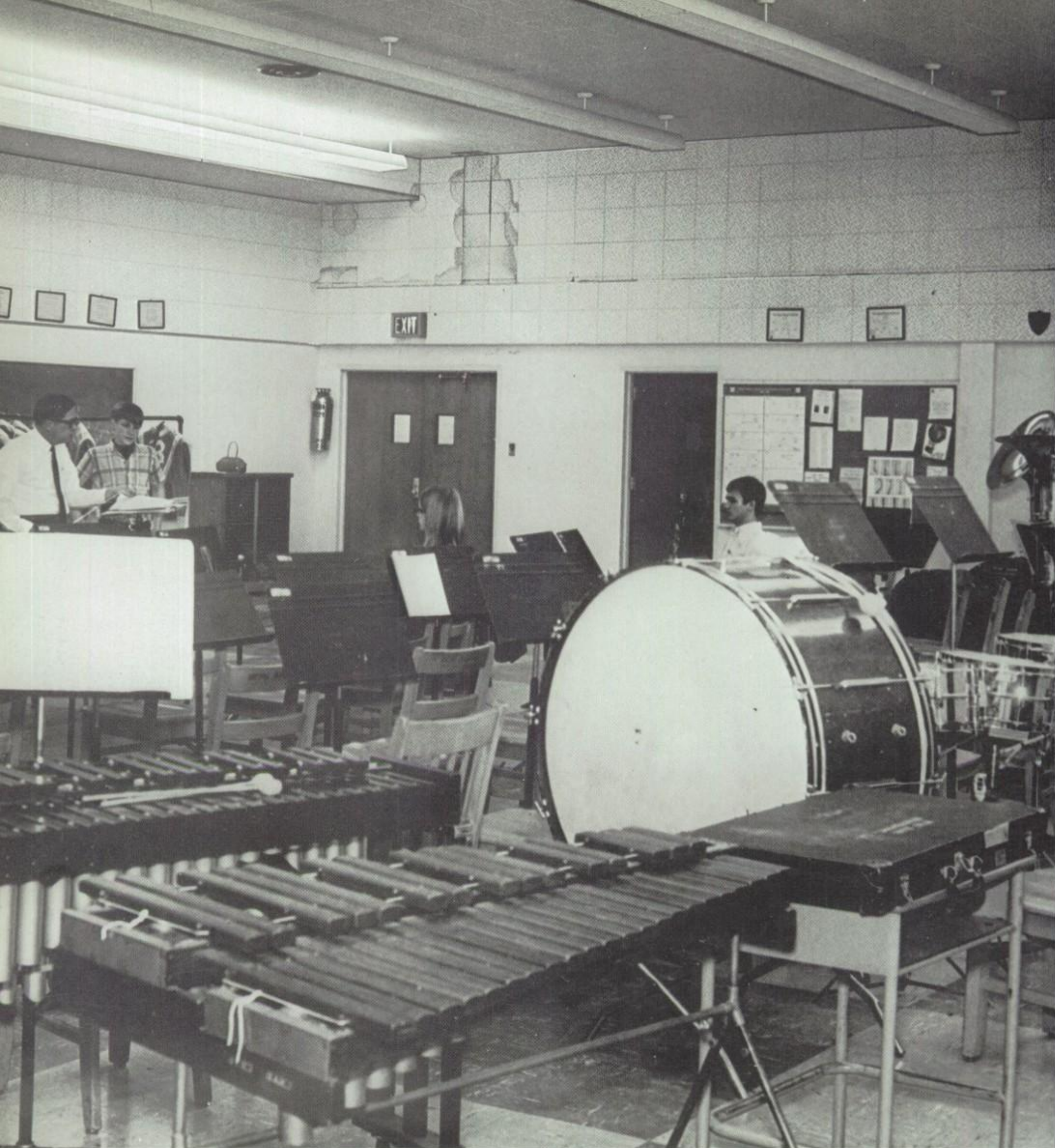
Darling Doug
Dixie Whited

In a memorable presentation, Cindy Norman and Scotty Lyons persuaded Senior Favorites Scotty Comegys and Cindy Haney to get on their knees and beg for their stars.



Kim Kayser proudly pranced across the stage in his newly-earned pep-squad uniform.





According to Confucius, "Music produces a kind of pleasure which human nature cannot do without." This pleasure has been demonstrated to the fullest by the Byrd music department. Aside from winning numerous honors, they have added pleasure to our many assemblies. Also, they have helped support the "Jacket Spirit" at many athletic contests.

Music



ORCHESTRA

Although the three members of Byrd's Orchestra did not perform as a group, each individual was credited with participation in a high school musical organization. Mr. Robert Grambling instructed the students during second and third periods. The group was privileged to have Raynelle Smith as a member of the All-State Orchestra for all three of her years at Byrd. Byrd's own organization included: Clovis Bonner, violin; Raynelle Smith, violin; and Nellie Jordan, bass.

Byrd Students Achieved Musical Honors



In the Christmas Assembly, the Band performed such old-time favorites as "Away in a Manger" and "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear."



Byrd was privileged to have three All-Staters from the Music Department. Those who achieved this honor were: Ted Dienst, B Clarinet; John Zenter, Oboe; and Raynelle Smith, violin.

In the Spring Concert for the general public, Byrd's Band presented arrangements ranging from classical to rhythmic beats of modern music.



CONCERT CHOIR Sang



Serving as officers were: *Front row:* Jan Adams, Vice President; Margaret Williams, Secretary; Sally Gee, Treasurer. *Second row:* Elliot Stonecipher, President; Kathy Smith, Chaplain; Diann McElduff, Robe Chairman. *Third row:* Tim Holt, Sergeant-at-Arms; Pat Jones, Librarian.

Chosen in the spring, members of the CONCERT CHOIR obtained recognition and accomplishment in the course of activities. Directed by Mr. Charles Richey, the choir took part in school, civic, and district programs.

These vocal singers were especially busy at Christmas. On December 9, they sang for the Administrator's Club Christmas party. On December 20, the choir, in co-operation with the Byrd Band, presented a special Christmas Assembly. The choir also presented two patriotic assembly programs.

The choir wore robes of purple and gold.



at Veteran's Hospital

Proving to be an asset to the entire community, the choir members brought joy to patients at the Veteran's Hospital in a program which was broadcasted to each room. Included among the various civic clubs in the Shreveport area for which the choir performed, were the Central Lions and Kiwanis Clubs.

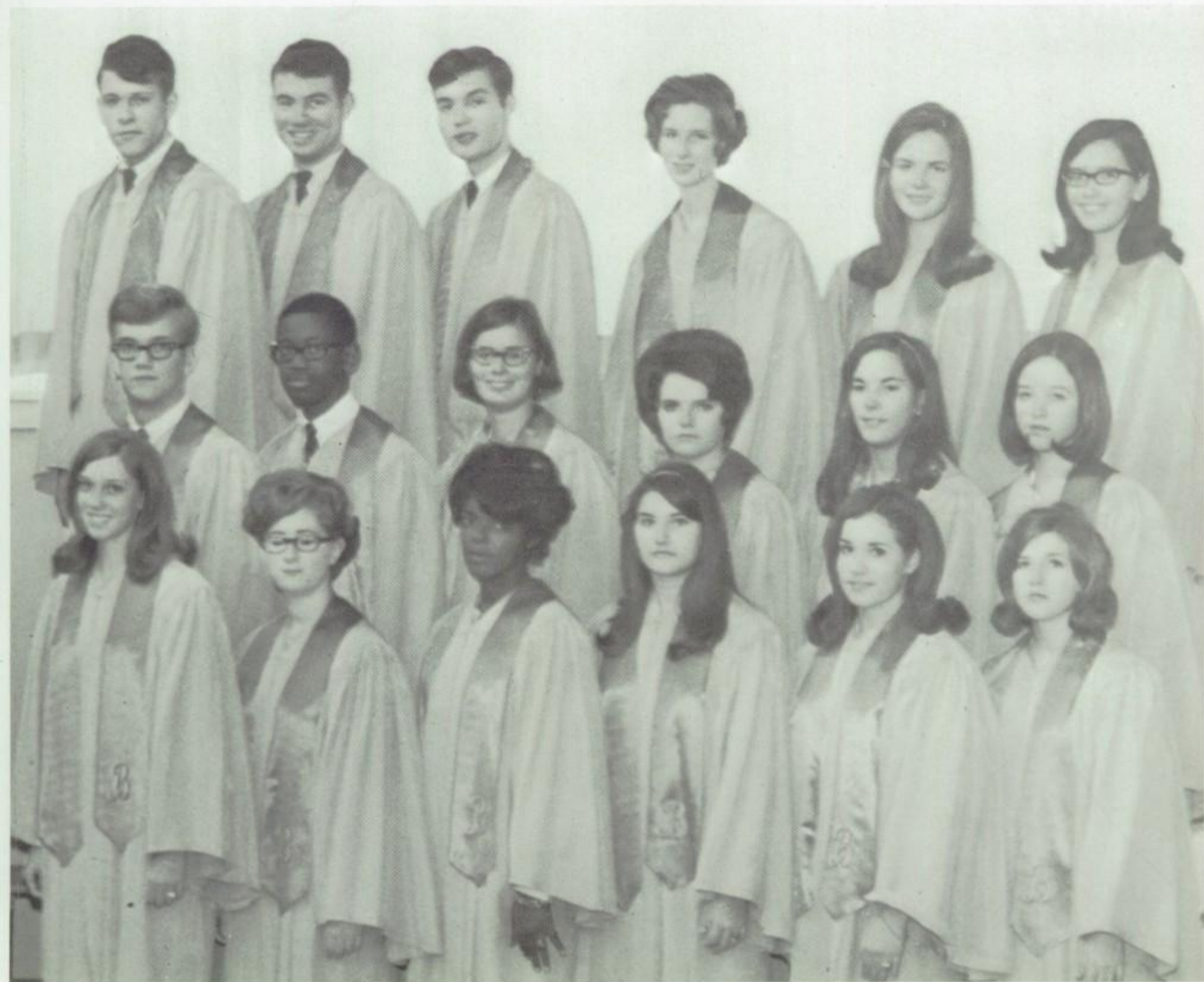
This group proudly represented Byrd at the district solo and ensemble music festival and the district choral festival. The group presented a spring concert in which "Vivaldi Gloria Mass" was included in the program.

Byrd's Concert Choir added to the impressive Baccalaureate Service and the Graduation Ceremony. To climax a successful year, the group honored its senior members.



The accompanists for the choir, Jan Adams and Dale Simmons, looked with Mr. Charles Richey, the director, at selections played at the Christmas Assembly.

Members of the choir numbered thirty-six.





BASSES

Front row: Phil Boswell, Elliot Stonecipher, Michael Freeman, Bernard Bolton. *Second row:* Dennis DeLoach, Randy Turner, Tim Holt, Rick Hawkins.

CONCERT CHOIR Presented

TENORS

This group possessed the voice range intermediate between the bass and alto. *Front row:* Sally Gee, Katie Parks. *Second row:* Nancy Nader, Clay Eaves, Dale Simmons.



The Concert Choir, in cooperation with the Byrd Band, performed in a special Christmas Assembly on December 20 for the entire student body.



Assisting Mr. Charles Richey and the officers were the section leaders. Those who served in this capacity were: *Front row:* Dale Simmons, tenor; June Lawrence, alto. *Second row:* Randy Turner, bass; Deborah Betts, soprano.

SOPRANOS

Front row: Ruth Bains, Fannell Watts, Diann McElduff, Paula Sneed, Levetta Davis. *Second row:* Janet Carson, Janis Turner, Margaret Williams, Camilla Bolch, Sharon Gates. *Third row:* Jan Adams, Deborah Betts, Cathy Shriver, Elaine Rainey.



Special Christmas Assembly

Singing a selection, "Now Let Every Tongue Adore Thee," from Bach's "Cantata Sleepers Wake" were *Front row:* Raynelle Smith. *Second row:* Rick Hawkins, Patricia Johnson, Margaret Williams.



ALTOS

Front row: Alicia Edwards, Pearlie Johnson, Debbie Gates, Kathy Smith, Patricia Johnson. *Second row:* June Lawrence, Elgin Mosley, Pat Jones, Virginia Grounds.



English Madrigals were a favorite of the Concert Choir. Harmonizing in "Come Away Sweet" were Sharon Gates, Diann McElduff, Janet Carson, Deborah Betts, and Cathy Shriver as Mr. Charles Richey encouraged the talented group.



In February, the Choir loaded buses to travel to the Solo Ensemble Festival in Natchitoches. Here Margaret Williams and Camilla Bolch both achieved a superior rating.

BYRD BAND Marched in State



Throughout the year, it was both helpful and necessary to have a Student Conductor. Mr. Robert Grambling was assisted by Ted Dienst, who served in this capacity.



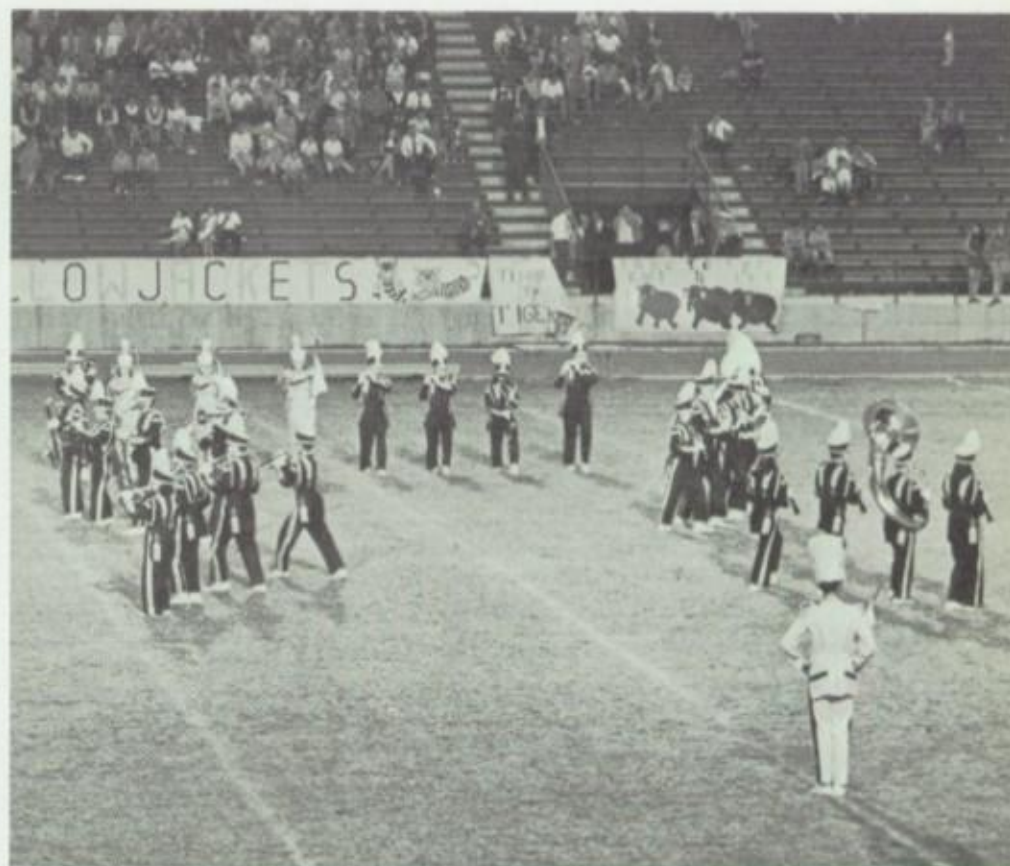
Norman Cox and Sally Box, serving as Uniform Chairmen, were responsible for the dress of each member of the Band.

Fair and Holiday in Dixie Parades

Byrd's Band enhanced everyday school life and brought pride and recognition to the name which it represented. Under the direction of Mr. Robert Grambling, the group's agenda for the year was full. They often played in pep-assemblies on Thursday, and on December 20, in co-operation with the Concert Choir, the band presented a special Christmas Assembly.

In November of 1968, the musical organization loaded instruments and uniforms on buses and headed for the District 1 Marching Festival in Mansfield, Louisiana. Here the group achieved a 1 (superior) on inspection and a 2 (excellent) on routine, although the muddy and wet field made it difficult to perform the precision drills. The Band also won a trophy for "Outstanding Participation" at a Marching Festival.

Long was the list of activities in which our Band participated. In order to raise money, the musicians sold fruit cakes and washed cars; the Band Parents' Club gave a rummage sale. Two performances were given for general audiences: the Christmas Concert and the Spring Concert. The talented group marched in the Louisiana State Fair and the annual Holiday in Dixie Parades. They attended a Solo and Ensemble Festival on February 20-21, 1969. Ted Dienst and John Zenter were chosen to serve on the All-State Band. At the end of a successful school year, members of the Byrd Band attended an all day party on Lake Bisteneau.



It was quite common to see the Byrd Band marching in cold or rainy or warm weather at half-time during football games. At the Byrd-Neville game, part of the group performed pin-wheels as the rest were at opposite ends of the field doing intricate box drills.





CLARINETS

Front row: Maud Cole, Dan Henderson, Lamar Thompson, Penny Dove, Deborah Richardson, Christy Johnson. *Second row:* David Lynam, Claire Jackson, Beverly Lackey, Donna Dotson, Ted Dienst, David Head.

BAND SECTIONS Harmoniously

TROMBONES—BARITONES

Glenn Shearer, Trombone; James Holt, Trombone; David Sprawls, Baritone.



CORNETS

Front row: Richard Head, Jimmy Collinsworth, Lynn Westbrook, David Gesn, John Peddy. *Second row:* Larry McIntosh, Carol Murray, Ruth Bains, Henrietta Short.

PERCUSSION

Mike Posey, Paul Green, Rusty Bethley, Leon Emanuel, Sally Box, Mike Newman.





LOW WOODWINDS

Front row: Norman Cox, Bill Seymour, Laura Mercer, Kathy Jackson, Anne Clark. *Second row:* Jay Cardwell, Bill Thomas, Michael Stone, Donald Minor.

Performed in Spring Concert

BASSES

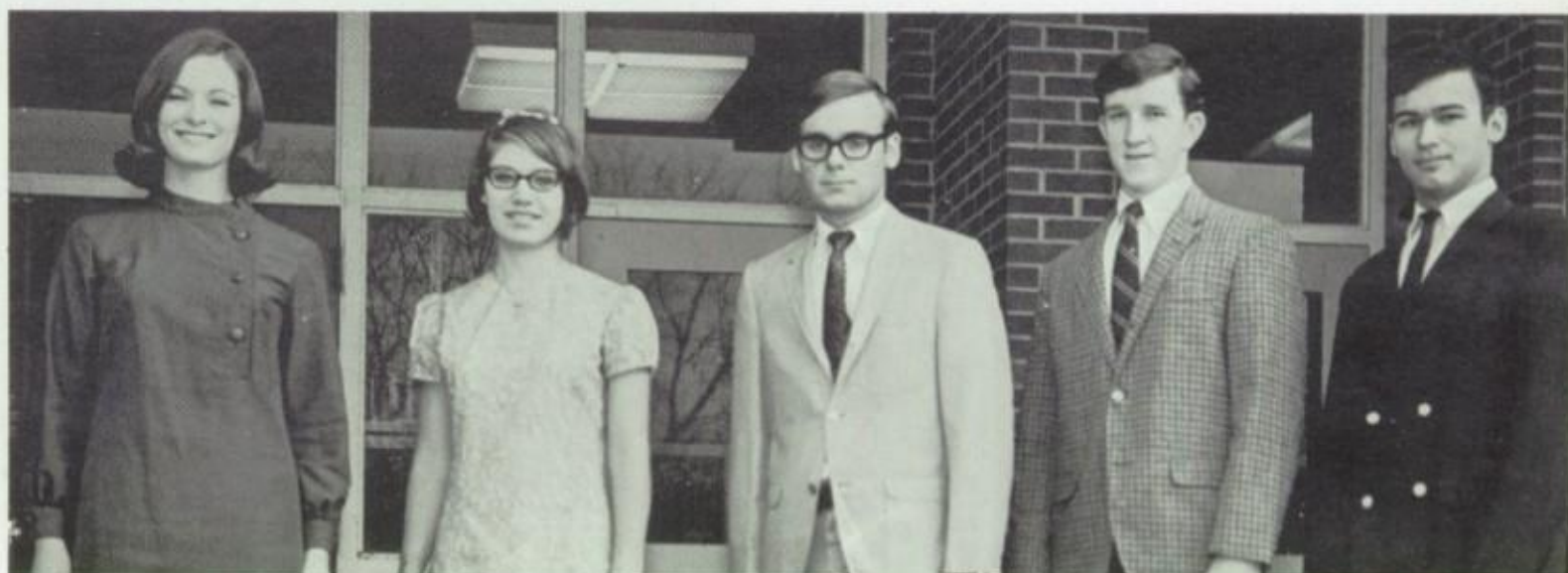
Donald Ray Jack, James Roach, Robert Hamm.

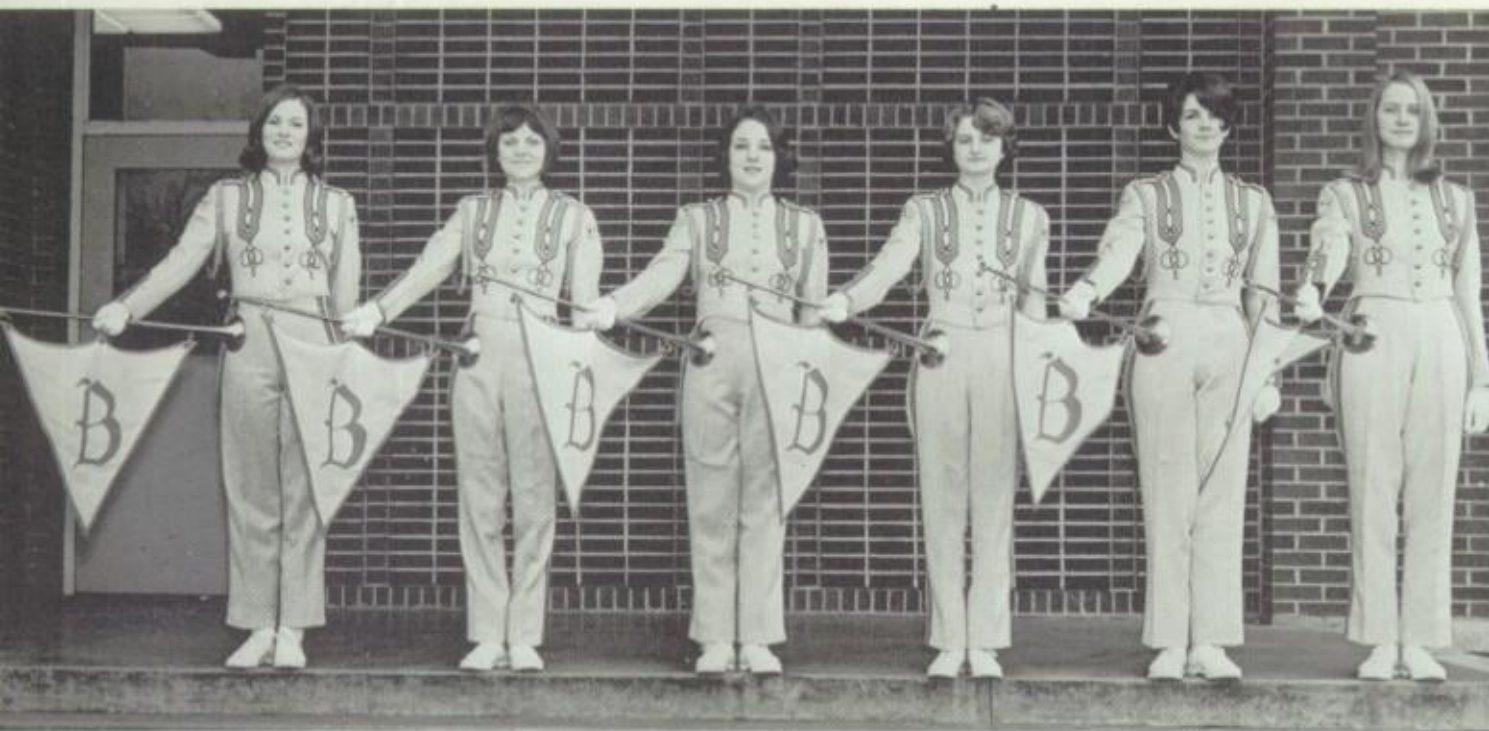


HIGH WOODWINDS

Front row: John Zenter, Katie Parks, Stephanie Coffman, Karen Hawkins, Beverlye Coleman. *Second row:* Ronnie Hendrix, Bonnie Kupper, Martha Thomas, Docia Millay, Gail Sandifer.

Those serving as officers of the Band were: Anne Clark, program chairman; Karen Hawkins, Sophomore lieutenant; Dan Henderson, Junior lieutenant; John Peddy, Senior lieutenant; David Head, Band Captain.





Leading the Byrd Band in precision marching were the Herald Trumpeters. Those who served in this capacity were: Anne Clark, Donna Dotson, Sally Box, Stephanie Coffman, Claire Jackson, Beverly Lackey.

Drum Major and Heralders led BAND Activities

Ted Dienst, Drum Major of Byrd's Band, has played the clarinet in bands for six years. He was an asset to our own musical family for three years. In junior high school, he was an All-Stater and a member of the Junior Youth Symphony. In his years at Byrd, his honors included: membership in the All-State Band, a position in the Shreveport Youth Symphony and the Shreveport Honor Band, and the only representative from Byrd in the All-Senior Honor Band which played at East Texas State College in Marshall. He also served his senior year as Band King.



As members of the Instrument Committee, David Head, John Peddy, and Norman Cox issued band equipment.



Assisting the officers were the Librarians, Gail Sandifer and Stephanie Coffman, and the Secretary, Anne Clark.

BAND Added New Line of Royalty to Its Court



Those who served in Byrd's Band Court for 1969 were: Anne Clark, Queen; Ted Dienst, King; Penny Dove, Princess; Dan Henderson, Prince; Karen Hawkins, Duchess; and James Roach, Duke. The royalty was selected by fellow-members of the musical organization.

Queen Anne Clark was on the court all of her three years at Byrd and played the bass clarinet for six years. During her senior year, she was Secretary, Social Chairman, and head Herald for the band. She also served as a member of the Student Council, Math Club, J.M.L., and the Gayarre History Club.

King Ted Dienst also served the Band as Drum Major. During his second year at Byrd, he was Junior Lieutenant. Because of his ability to play the clarinet, he was chosen to serve on the All-State Band. He was a member of the Latin Forum and the Science Club and a worker in the School Store.



PRINCESS
Penny Dove



PRINCE
Dan Henderson



DUCHESS
Karen Hawkins



DUKE
James Roach



COMPETITION IS ONE OF THE MANY "THINGS THAT COUNT" as we go through life. The beautiful Querbes Golf Course is the arena of competition for the Byrd Golf team. Seniors who have competed at Byrd this year find fun and relaxation at the golf course; they are Rocky Chalmers, President of N.F.L.; Susie Shriver, Sponsor Commander of ROTC, Cathy Trichel, Tennis; Kim Kayser, Golf; Carol Cannon, Pep Squad; Jody D'Anna, Cadet Lt. Colonel ROTC; Roy Burroughs, Baseball; Mike Sumter, Football; and Edith Stevens, Secretary, National Honor Society.



*To be a part of all that's good,
Not just a search for fame...*

Since the beginning of time, men have competed against each other. Each has striven to conquer his opponent, whatever it might be—the elements, an animal, another man, or his own emotions. Winning is important, but it does not mean everything. What is important is the striving for perfection. Competition helps us to give everything we have so that we will bring out the best in ourselves. Competition also shows people the importance of working together, for everyone needs help to compete successfully. Here a person learns the importance of effort and the fact that “you get out of something what you put into it.”

Effort, victory, honor are among “the things that count.” In the following pages are Byrd's soldiers and warriors in the area of competition—on the athletic field, in the realm of military skill, and in the area of scholastic achievement.

Competition



What do honors mean to us? What do they show? Honors show the work that a person has performed; they show that when others have gone out and played, he has stayed home and done extra work; they show that he has put more effort into something, or that he has led, instead of staying behind and being led. They show that, when things needed to be done, he did them, without being asked. These are what honors mean to us; these are "the things that count."

Honors

Byrd Sent 19 Students to Workshops



Those who attended the Student Council Summer Workshop at Northeastern Louisiana State College in Monroe were: Elliot Stonecipher, Sara Howard, Janet Marvin, Danny Booras, Bill Clark.

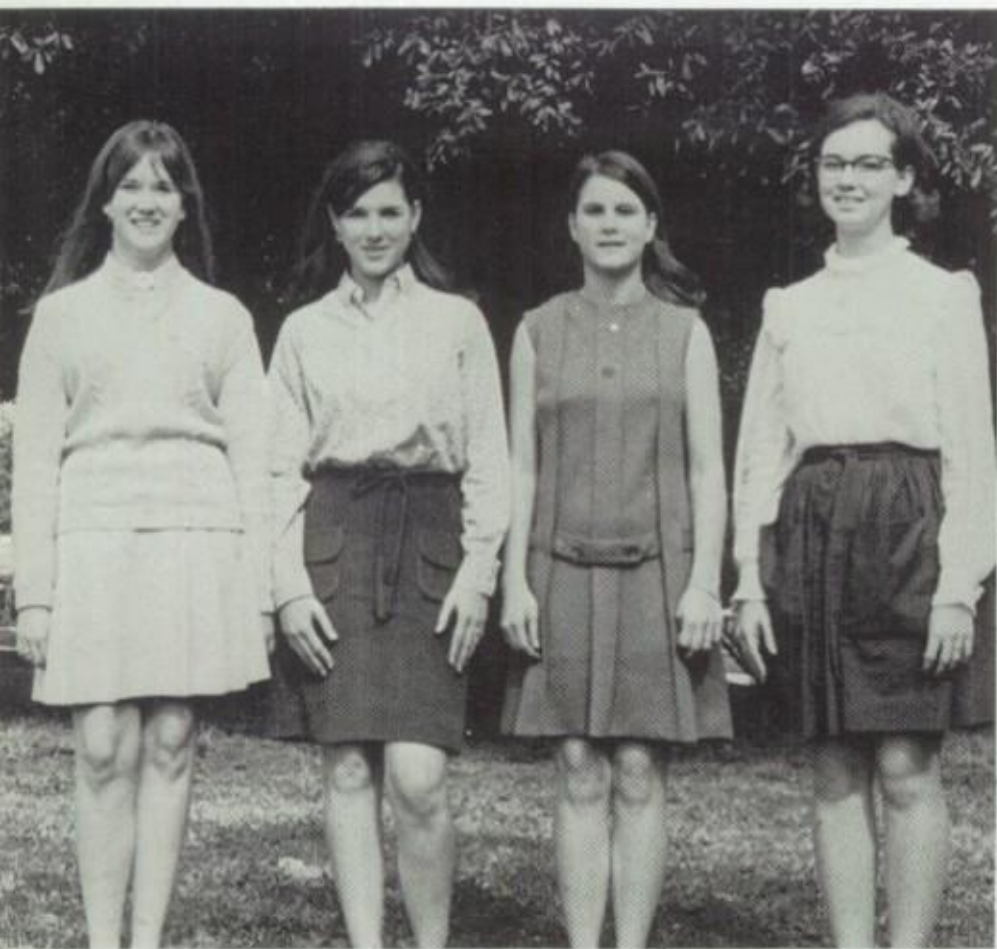


The Red Cross Summer Workshop was attended by: Alan Ross, Susan York, Nancy Dinkins, Charles Sale, Bill Sample, Jack Shuey, Jere Overdyke.

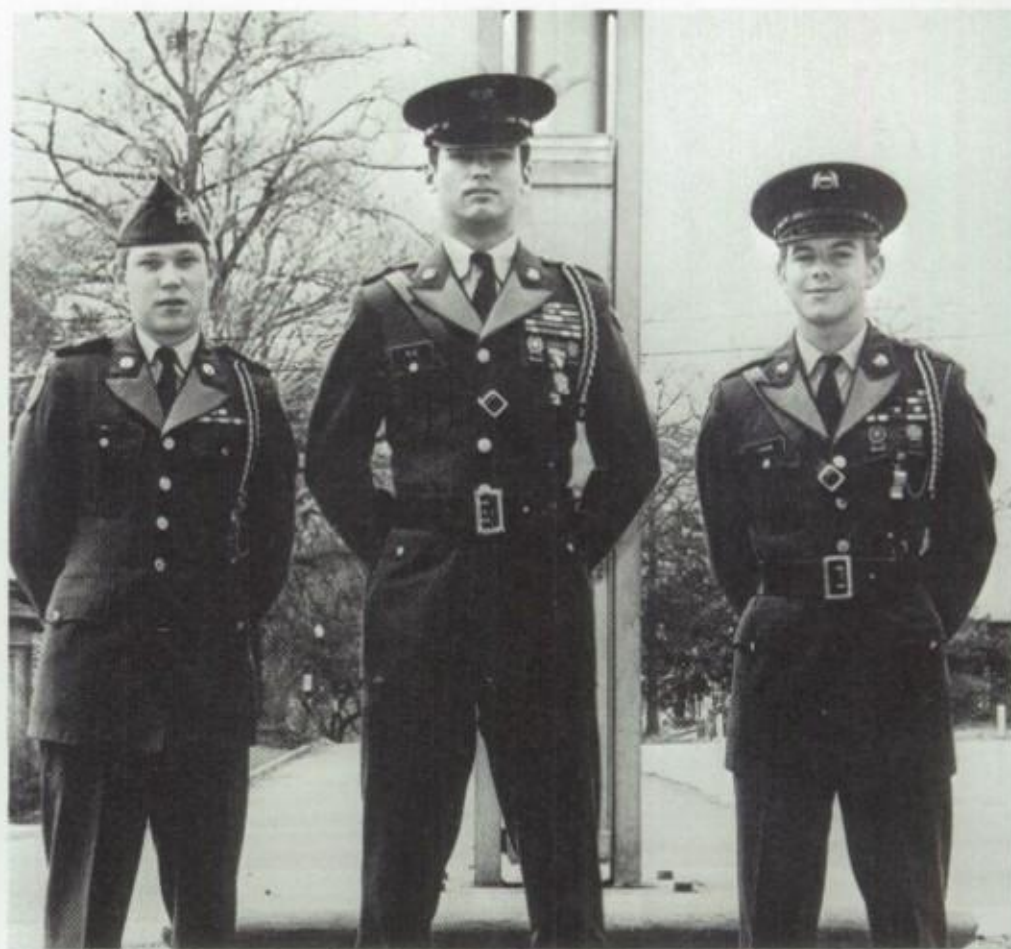
Participating in Debate Workshops were:
Front row: Rebecca Angeles, Myra Linebarrier, Stephanie Woolhandler, Patty Whited.
Second row: Rocky Chalmiers, Brenda Hodge, Alan Prater.



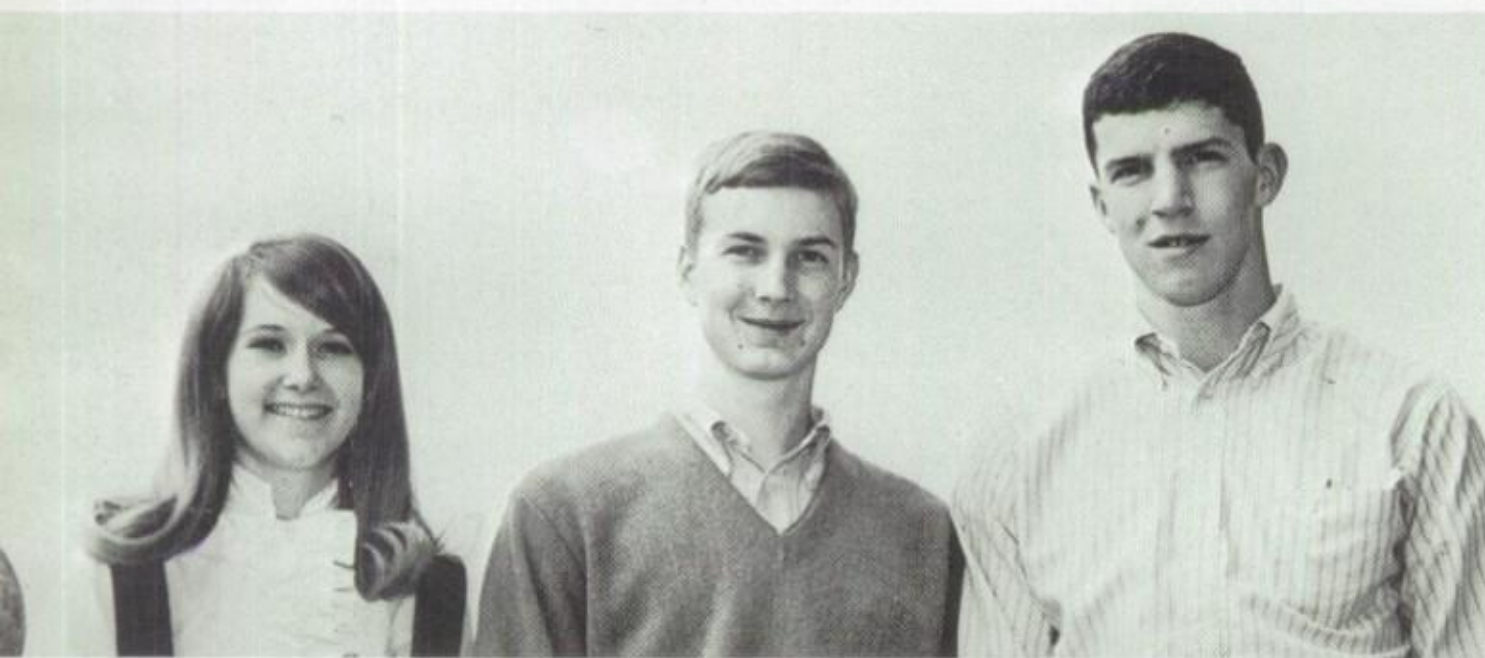
Teachers, Hand-in-Hand With



During the summer months, students from various organizations represented Byrd at the Leadership Conference on the Louisiana State University campus in Baton Rouge. Those who attended were: Nancy Spencer, GUSHER; Ginny Walke, GUSHER; Sandy Verhalen, "High Life," and June Lawrence, Creative Arts.



To serve in the Byrd R.O.T.C. was an honor within itself. Some cadets and companies achieved special recognition for their services. They were: John Farley, Outstanding First Semester Cadet; David Head, Winner of the Best Company Commander Ribbon; and Jimmy Lenoir, Commander of "B" Company, which was awarded the Best Company Ribbon.

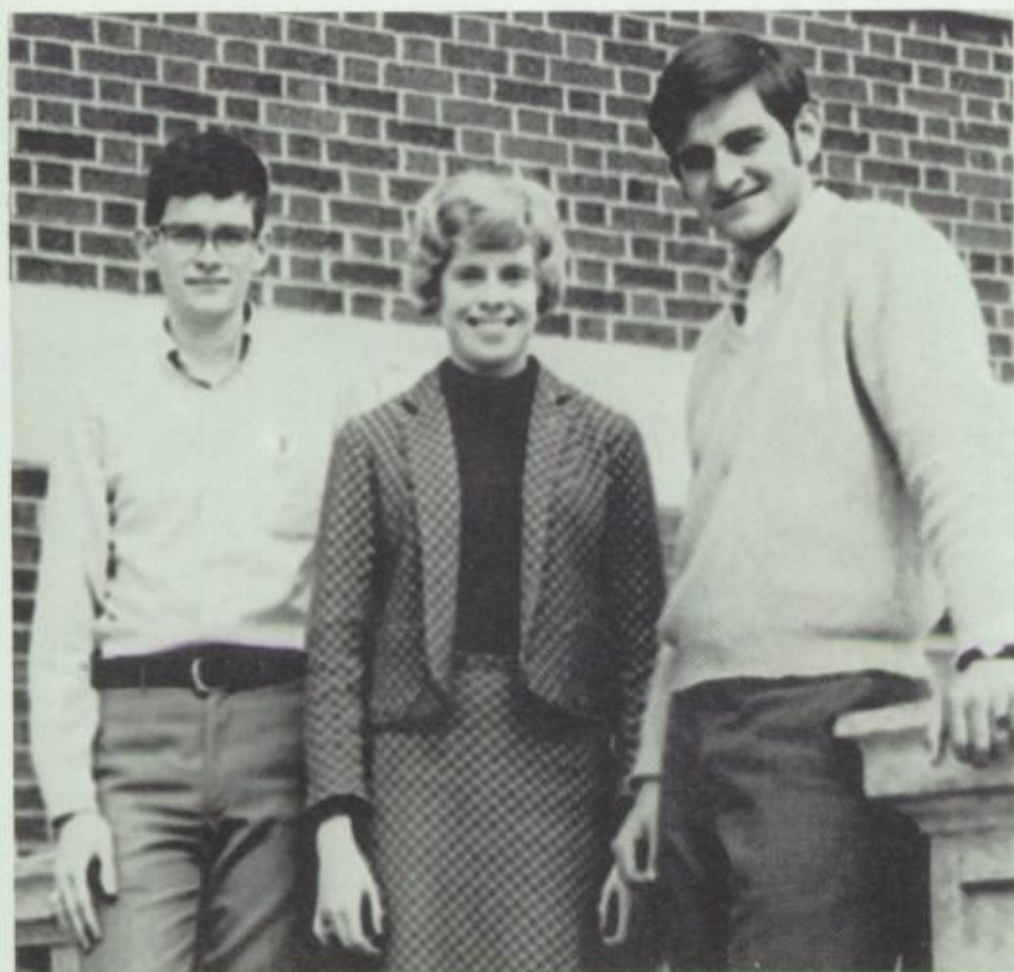


To stimulate interest in our country's heritage, civic clubs throughout the Shreveport area presented awards to students for their excellence in American History. Those who achieved these were: Debbie Dubois, D.A.R.; Mark Gardner, Woodmen of the World; Mike Rasberry, Sertoma.

It was frequent for the student body to see their debate team with its coach, Mr. Max Edmundson, on the stage during assemblies. Some of the trophies won were from tournaments in Dallas, Houston, and Shreveport. In February, Stephanie Woolhandler and Cindy Dorfman traveled to Stamford University and there captured the National Championship.



Students, Were Awarded HONORS



Many honors were awarded to Byrd students for their achievements in various fields. Steven Hightower made the highest score in this region on the National Engineering Aptitude Test given in February of 1968.

Raynelle Smith won the Good Citizen award given by the Daughters of the American Revolution. She was therefore required to take a test on her knowledge of our nation's heritage.

Danny Booras was chosen to membership in the Teen Council, which sent high school students to speak at area junior highs. Danny also served as Byrd's representative to the Caddo Parish School Board meetings.



Every year two students are elected from each Shreveport high school by its faculty to receive the Optimist Club's Pat-Em-on-the-Back award. Rick Hawkins and Richie Woodall were the recipients from Byrd. These were chosen on the basis of their contributions to their school and community.



Miss Micki McCrary was honored by being named "Outstanding Teacher of American History" by the Daughters of the American Revolution. The ladies' civic club honored our own Miss McCrary because of her interest in school activities. In addition to teaching American History at Byrd for three years, she has also served as a Junior Class sponsor, a R.O.T.C. advisor, and chairman of the social studies department.



In May of 1968, Mr. Lowell Brown, Byrd's mechanical and architectural drawing teacher, received a citation for outstanding work in industrial education. At this time he traveled to the annual Northwestern State College Craftsman's Fair. Three of his senior students, Robert Mabry, Joe DiFillippo, and Charles Trichel, received scholarships to Northwestern because of their achievement in architectural drawing. Mr. Brown also proved to be an asset to Byrd because of his service as Athletic Business Manager.



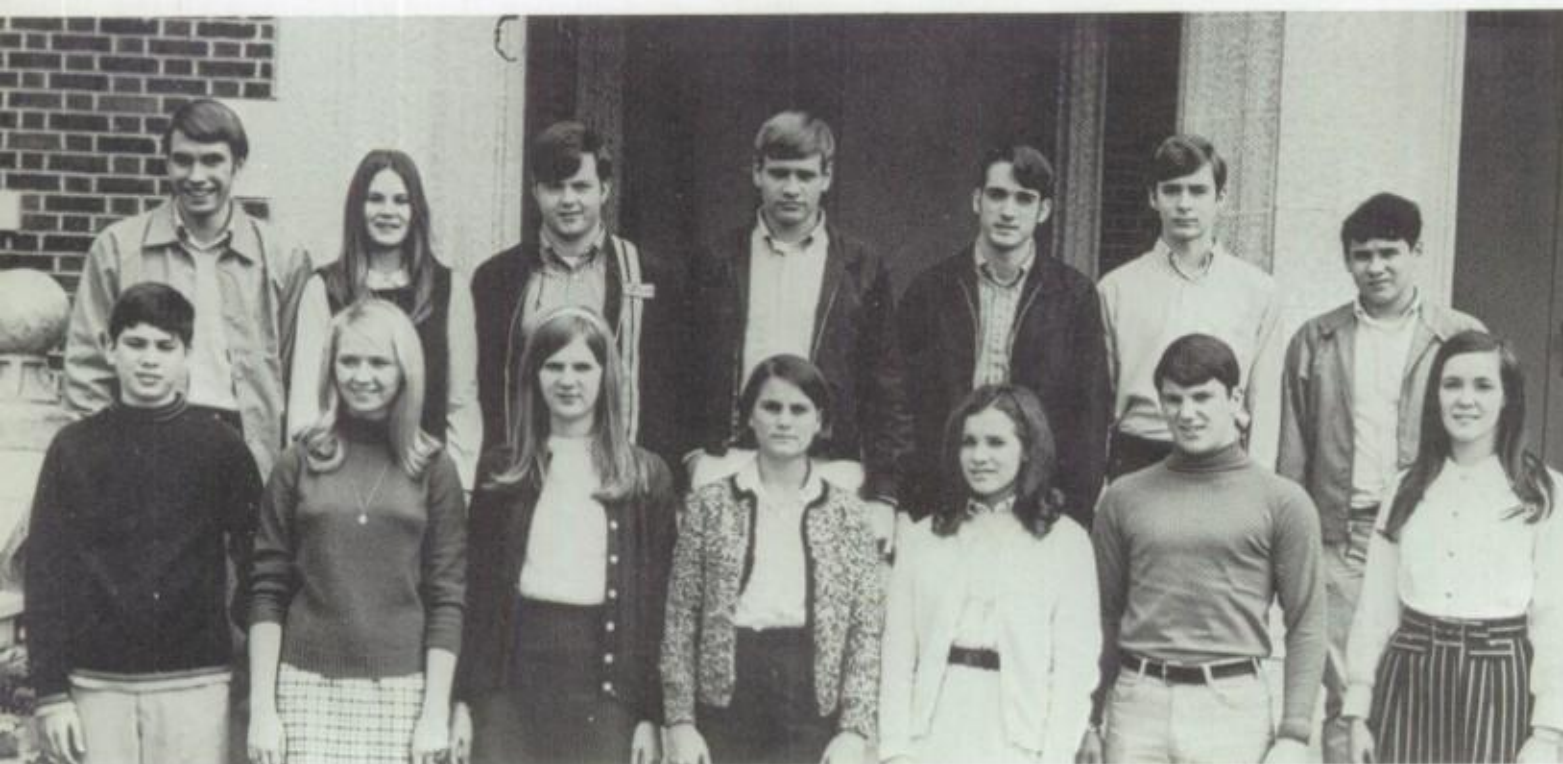
For her valuable contributions and intense concern, Mrs. Phalamae Gray was named the "Outstanding Physical Education teacher of Louisiana." She received the award in New Orleans at the convention of the Louisiana Association of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation after serving as president of the same organization. During her years at Byrd, she has served as sponsor of the Junior Medical League and advisor for the business staff of the GUSHER.

Citizens of Byrd Served Their Community



Project PAL, sponsored by the Student Council, was one of highlights of Byrd's summer activities. Each person, on a volunteer basis, spent at least two hours a week with his "pal," who was an elementary age child. The children were not only taken to circuses, zoos, and movies, but were also helped with their school work. Concluding the summer with a banquet, the "Pals" thoroughly enjoyed their rewarding experience. Students from Byrd taking part in this year's program were: *Front row:* Mary Katherine Knipp, Carolyn Nelson, Mary Daniell Long, Michele Willingham, Karen Griswold, Sheri Twomey. *Second row:* Barbara Williams, Sara Howard, Rhonda Cross, Steve Adcock, Elizabeth Rogers, Paula Merritt. *Third row:* Beverly Lofton, Phil Watson, Laura Bodenheimer, Judy Hitchcock, Judy Hardtner, Nancy Nader, Ronnie Golden.

Spending many hours last summer at the Veteran's Hospital as Red Cross volunteer workers were Charles Sale, Bob Minder, Phil Watson, Judy Hardtner, and Dave Ginsburg.



Selected by a secret committee appointed by the Student Council President, Citizens of the month were chosen for their character, integrity, service to the community, and unselfish contributions to the school. Students receiving this recognition during this year were: *Front row:* Peter Minder, Cindy Haney, Gale Guess, Sandy Verhalen, Paula Sneed, James Roach, Edith Stevens. *Second row:* Mike Clark, Julia Minor, Joe DiFilippo, Tom Teasley, Alan Prater, Barron O'Neal, Hubert Hunt.

Byrd Presided at STUDENT COUNCIL CONVENTION

"Let America hear us!" petitioned the delegates to the 34th Annual Conference of the Southern Association of Student Councils. The convention, which was held from October 30 to November 2 at Terrebonne High School in Houma, Louisiana, was attended by Byrd students Cindy Dorfman, Danny Booras, Elliott Stonecipher, and Student Council sponsor Miss Jerry Malone. One of the most impressive ceremonies of the convention was the presentation of flags. As the name of each state was called, its flag was carried to the stage and a short commentary on the state was given. Highlighting the four-day conference was a banquet and southern ball fitting the theme, "Under the Magnolias."

Byrd held the important position of president at the convention. Cindy Dorfman was the presiding officer and delivered the keynote address. Danny Booras and Miss Malone led a discussion group on duties of a good Student Council homeroom representative.



Citizens of Houma provided homes for representatives during the conference. Danny Booras was welcomed into the home of one of these families.



Byrd was proud to serve as president of the Southern Association of Student Councils. Cindy Dorfman was chosen as presiding officer. Her duties at the convention included introducing foreign students, delivering the keynote address, and appointing the committees, as well as presiding at all meetings.



Delegates to the convention gathered in the gym of Terrebonne High School for a political rally, after which the voting took place.

Unselfish Service Was Given



Any sick or hurt girl at Byrd could count on the help of Linda Anderson, Teri Felker, Janie Jaggers, Vicki Prather, Janet Gammill, Marcia Sheffield, and Gloria Campbell, who spent their study halls working in the First Aid Room.

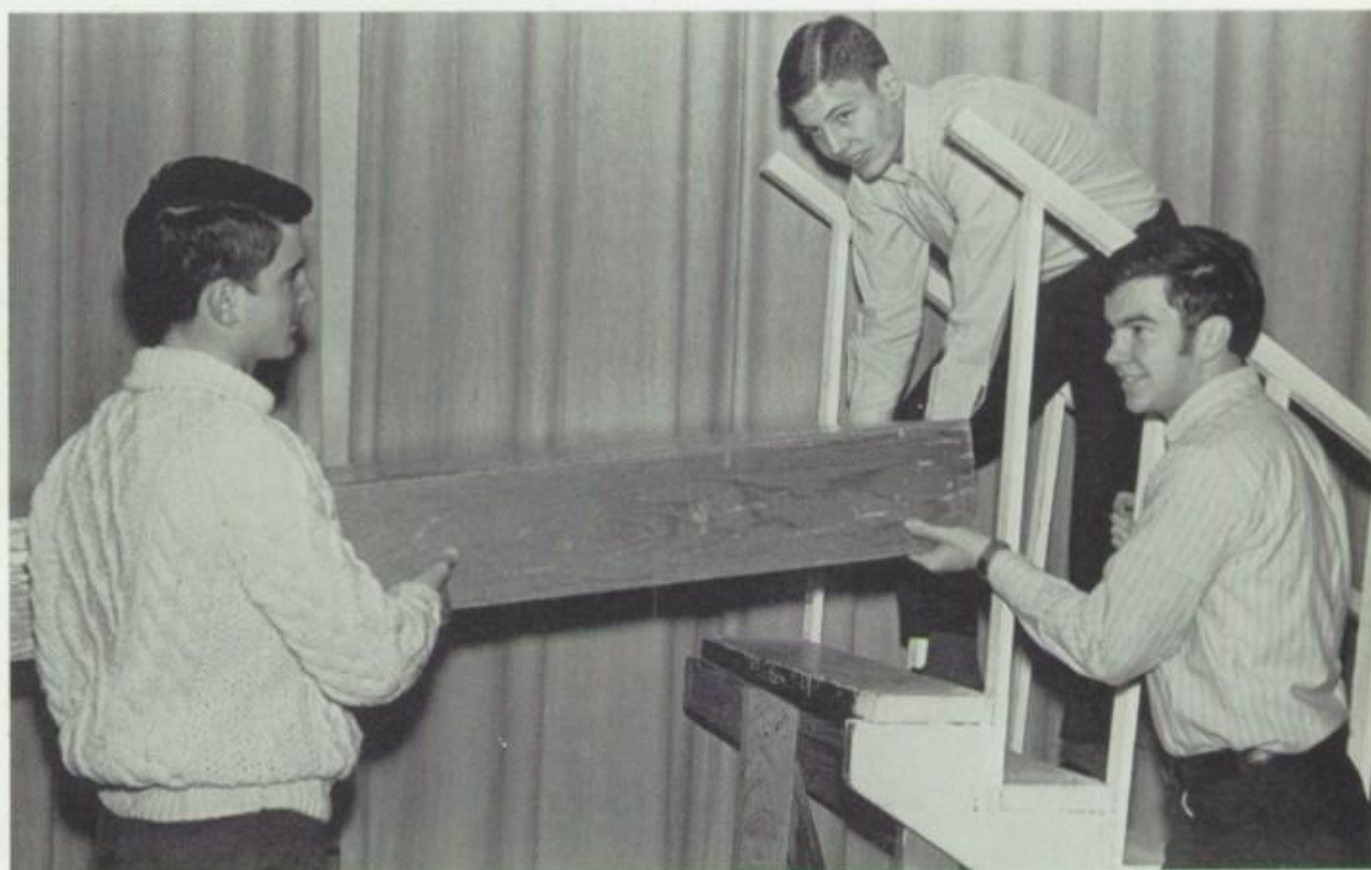
Occupying room 125 first period every morning were the Tardy Desk workers, who had the responsibility of writing admits and making records of those citizens of Byrd who arrived late. These people were: *Front row:* Martha Kurtz. *Second row:* Debbie Van Esler, Debbie Dubois, Alan Koelemay, and Mr. John Harkness.



Devoting their study halls to working in the School Store, which is the chief money-making project of the Student Council were: *Front row:* Kathleen Mitchell, Carolyn Stuckey, Vicki Turner, Edith Stevens, Collins Nix. *Second row:* Nancy Ogletree, Nancy Guin, Margaret Bailey, Rhoda Link, Adrienne Poss. *Third row:* Tom Teasley, John Payne.

Every Day BEHIND THE SCENES

Instead of being seated comfortably in the audience, watching the assemblies, Haller Jackson, Don Birkelbach, and Al Hand were busy backstage, operating both the lights and the curtains and assisting with the props.



Responsible for checking the parking lot stickers, making sure that all cars were parked properly, and that no one remained in his car after it had been parked were Steve Middleton, Bill Clark, Rob Fulton, Chris Anthony, and Mike Clark.

Nancy Nader, Patty Whited, and Pam Lynn provided valuable assistance to the physical education teachers by working in the gym office each day.



LIBRARY WORKERS Filed While



First row: Molly Hayes, Alice Fenton, Diane Drennan, Dewanna Montgomery, Brenda Day, Dianne Bryan. *Second row:* Judy Echols, FruLynn Humphrey, Janet Johnson, Kathy Wurzbarger, Martha Fluker, Karen Mann. *Third row:* Kathy Stoddard, Laura Cascio, Sarah Walker, Karen Krentel, Mary Ann King, Diane Stigall. *Fourth row:* Sondra Smith, Pat Crook, Laura Jones, Mary Shafer, Nancy Nader. *Fifth row:* Charlie Mae Hicks, Constance Malery, David Yeager, Robert Scates.

Who kept all those library books in order? It certainly could not have been done without the help of the student library staff, who volunteered their free time to work. This is a job that should not be taken for granted, because without some persons to keep records of the books, no one would be able to use the library. The library workers had to file all the cards from the books in order to know which ones were checked out and which ones were overdue. Also, they were the students who put the books that were left on the table back in their proper place.

Audio-visual aids was another group of volunteer library workers. They aided the teachers in showing films and filmstrips and in operating record players, projectors, and tape recorders. One of their most valuable functions to Byrd students was the operation of the language laboratory. They contributed much vital help in lightening the load of teachers and in increasing the knowledge of students.



First row: Diann McElduff, Charlie Smith, Alecia Adcock, Jill Thomas, Cindy Murrell, Kendy Ellis. *Second row:* Tommy McJunkins, Bill Clark, Cecil Scarborough, Wayne Moore, Pat Crook, Mike Crane, Alice Hunter.

OFFICE WORKERS Typed

Delivering messages to teachers, bringing notes to students, running errands for the counselors, and checking students in and out were a few of the many jobs that kept the office workers busy. These students gave up their study hall to help with the numerous duties in the office. Some of them worked in the main office where they typed papers, schedules, and afternoon sheets. Also, these office workers were continuously checking students in or out, and this was no simple deed. The telephone was still another constant job which was handled by the workers. In office 103, the other student helpers aided the counselors and assistant principal by doing the many errands and filing records. In addition, they helped organize the records of college entrance test scores of the Seniors. The office workers performed a valuable service to the faculty and students.



First row: Mary Ann Tindol, Gale Guess, Ruth Pickens, Karen Griswald. *Second row:* Deborah Hunter, Judy Graham, Debbie Lomax, James Willcox. *Third row:* Allen Gaines, Penny Dove, Kathie Carter, Dorothy Stephens.

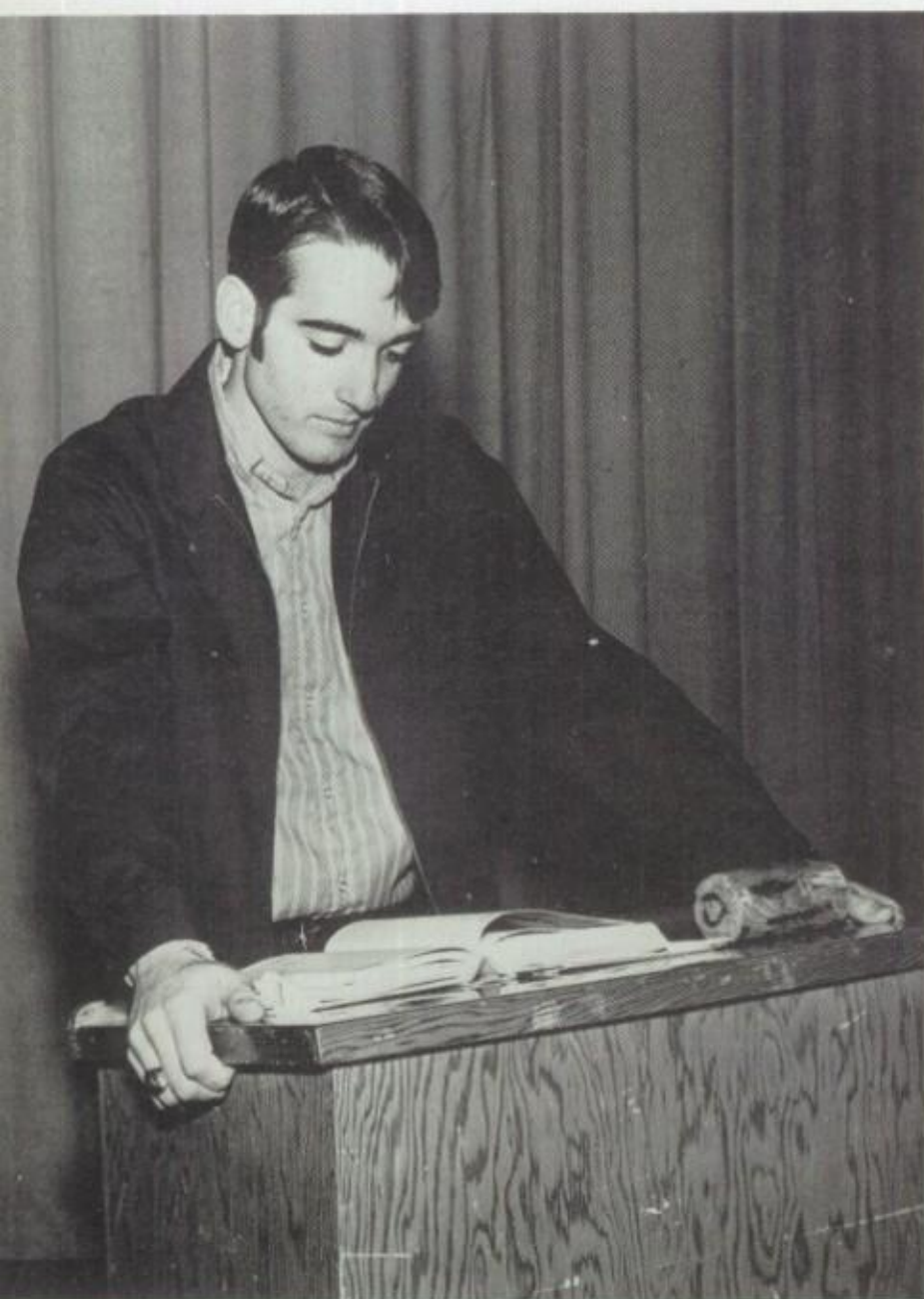
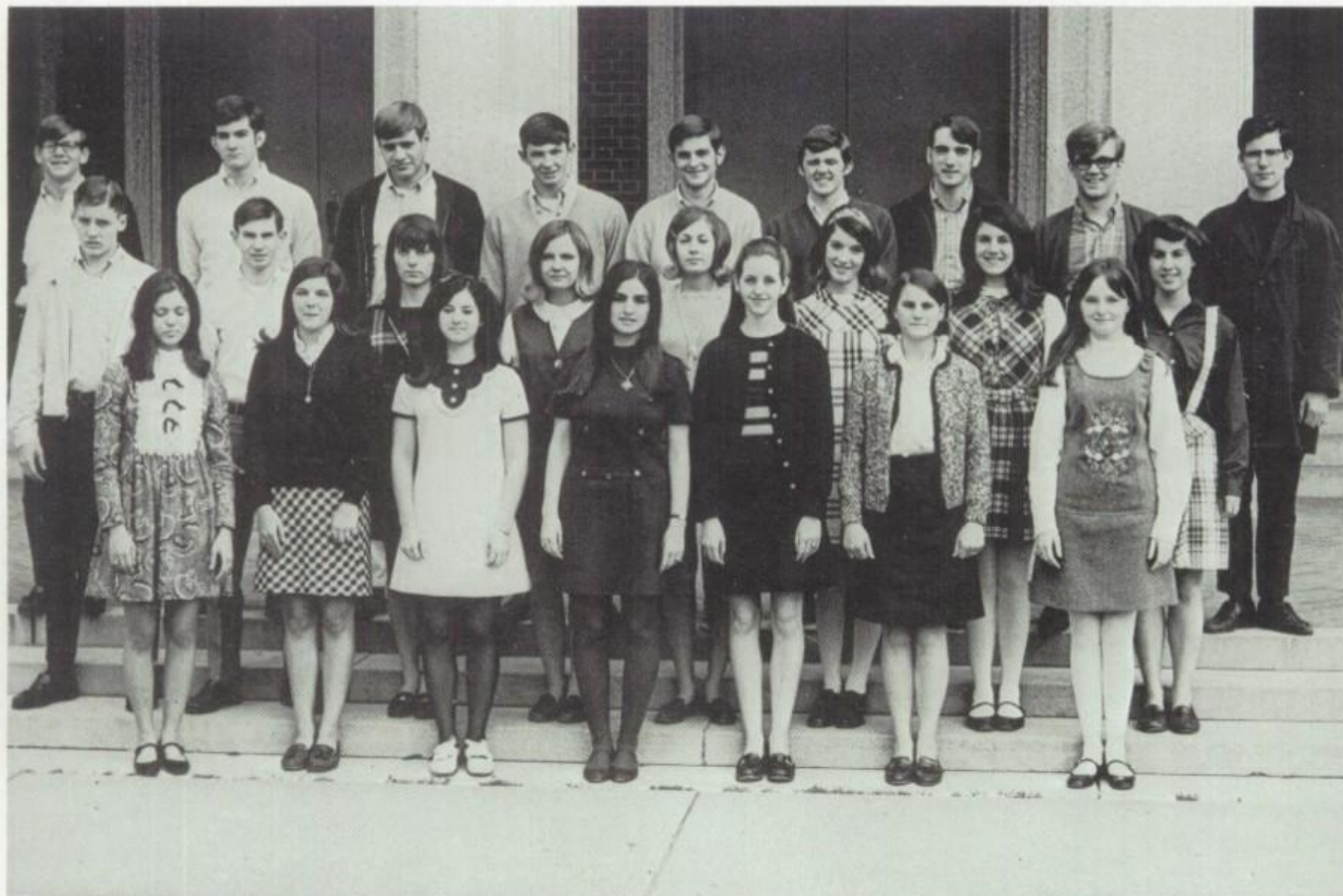


First row: Martha Kurz, Donna Rose, Debbie Crosslin, Teresa Shelton, Alan Koelemay. *Second row:* Joyce Hollingsworth, Judy Hitchcock, June Lawrence, Jan Adams, Pam Hooper. *Third row:* Judy Coker, Jane Sullivan, Gayla Statham, Kathi Brady, Deborah Betts. *Fourth row:* Pat Jones, Pam Brown, Becky Palmer, Karla Holomon.



First row: Mary Daniell Long, Helen Rosenkrans, Ellice Brown, Molly Nolen, Patty Robison. *Second row:* Petesie Hadra, Paul Porterfield, Candy Covington, Adrienne Poss, Chet Cooper. *Third row:* Trisha Murphy, Lynda Boydston, Jimmy Trichel, Lynne Harper, Mike Williams. *Fourth row:* Debbie DuBois, Lora Grounds, Debbie Crawford, Brenda Rowe. *Fifth row:* Sharon Porter, Sheri Twomey, LaNell Barnes, Judy Hardtner, Susan Ebarb.

"And the Beat Goes On"



Student Council Chaplain Alan Prater provided thought provocation and inspiration for the student body through his prayers offered at the openings of assemblies.

Each year Byrd is responsible for supplying speakers for Brotherhood Week for all the local area high schools. These speakers are representatives from the Catholic, Protestant, and Jewish faiths. Throughout the week of February 17-21, students from Byrd spoke two or three times daily, urging everyone not only to create tolerance for his neighbor, but friendship as well.

Brotherhood speakers for 1969 were: *Front row:* Gail Kottle, Betty Shields, Gay Greengus, Roxie Cariere, Tess Sebastian, Sandy Verhalen, and Kathleen Mitchell. *Second row:* Don Birkelbach, Richard Boyce, Beverly Lofton, Nancy Coats, Ann Levy, Patti Falk, Amy Lerner, and Jean Dover. *Third row:* Herby Rubenstein, Rick Hawkins, Tom Teasley, Rocky Chalmiers, Danny Booras, Billy Guin, Alan Prater, Elliot Stonecipher, and John Paul Woodley.



At Christmas time, homeroom members of the Red Cross Gayla Statham, Cosimo Kleckinger, Dennis DeLoach, and Donald Stevenson helped gather foods for needy families.

in the HEART OF BYRD



Hard-working prayer group leaders were: Mike Clark, Carolyn Nelson, Jack Shuey, Edith Stevens, Rick Hawkins, Patti Falk, Sara Howard, and Nancy Coats.

How do students at Byrd develop a close enough friendship to be called "the family of Byrd?" The Heart of Byrd is the answer. Through it, students learned what makes others tick. Chapel leaders, prayer group leaders, Red Cross members, and Brotherhood speakers served very valuable purposes to the individual student. Prayer groups, non-denominational gatherings of students, discussing problems of the day, gave them a chance to know each other in a much deeper sense than everyday school life allows. The students were also given a chance to work together at Christmas time collecting food for the Red Cross to give to the Salvation Army. Through working together and talking together students created the "family of Byrd," the Heart of Byrd.



Throughout the year, many stirring chapel services brought crowds of students to the auditorium early on Wednesday mornings.



Chapel leaders Carolyn Nelson and Collins Nix devoted much time and energy to provide for stimulating chapel services.

N.H.S. Promoted Better



N.H.S. members, Collins Nix and Vicki Turner, discussed honesty with Miss Virginia Chadick's sophomore English class during the N.H.S. campaign for Honesty.

Doug Hadra
President



Collins Nix
Vice-President



Edith Stevens
Secretary



Diane Askew
Danny Booras
LeRoy Foster

Margaret Bailey
Ellice Brown
Chris Gresham

Roy Burroughs
Al Hand

Linton Carney
Steve Hightower

Debbie Crosslin
Brenda Hodge

Cindy Dorfman
Haller Jackson

Debbie DuBois
Janie Jagers

Citizenship Among Students

Thirty-five Juniors, new members of the National Honor Society, proudly ushered at the Baccalaureate and Graduation exercises and distributed diplomas to the graduating Seniors of 1968. These same students appeared on stage in September of their Senior year as they presented the annual Homecoming assembly. The skit was a play-off on Dicken's *Christmas Carol*, in which Mr. Scrooge was haunted by the Spirits of Byrd. The service of the N.H.S. did not end in September, but continued throughout the year. The members waged a campaign on Honesty in order to promote better citizenship. In this program the subject of honesty was discussed in all homerooms.

N.H.S. members have been serving Byrd since 1935, when the Grover C. Coffman Chapter of the National Honor Society was founded. These students were selected by the entire faculty in recognition of their outstanding exhibition of Character, Leadership, Scholarship, and Service. They must also have and maintain a "B" average. The faculty sponsors for 1968-69 were Miss Virginia Chadick and Mrs. Earline Jordan.



In the annual Homecoming assembly, Members of N.H.S. portrayed the spirits of Byrd Past, Present, and Future which haunted Mr. Scrooge. The "Roaring Twenties" girls represented Byrd Past.



Ann Levy
Jack Shuey

Scotty Lyons
Raynelle Smith

Lynne McMahon
Vicki Turner

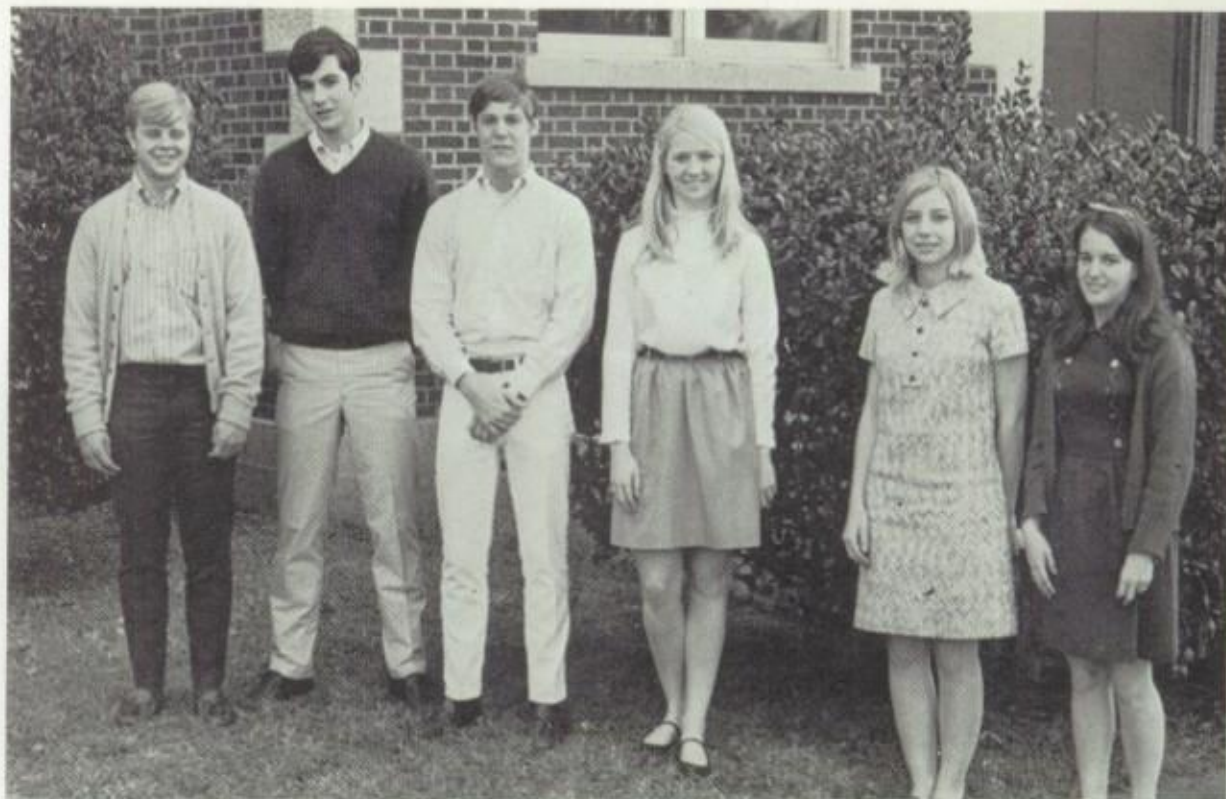
Bill Parker
Jay Welch

John Payne
Patti Whited

Beverly Lackey
Debbie Pomeroy
Stephanie
Woolhandler

Amy Lerner
Mike Rasberry
John Zenter

In the event that one of the delegates was unable to attend, alternates were elected to fill their positions. Alternates were Kim Kayser, Rick Hawkins, Alan Ross, Cindy Haney, Diane Askew, and Carolyn Stuckey.



In an assembly at the end of the year, delegates to Pelican State told prospective juniors about the experiences offered at the state-wide conference. Speaking were Bill Parker, Scotty Lyons, Elliott Stonecipher, Nancy Coats, and Doug Hadra.

Byrd Delegates Elected to

Have you ever stayed up all night in a strange city painting banners and writing speeches with newly-made friends? This was one of the unforgettable experiences shared by delegates to Pelican State. These representatives from all over Louisiana created a make-believe state on the campus of L.S.U. at Baton Rouge. They enthusiastically ran for state, parish, and city offices. Byrd's delegates filled the state duties of Treasurer, State Superintendent of Education, and State Commissioner of Insurance.



DANNY BOORAS
State Superintendent
of Education



NANCY COATS
Senator



SCOTTY COMEGYS
Commissioner of
Public Works



CINDY DORFMAN
State Commissioner
of Insurance



GAY GREENGUS
House of



DOUG HADRA
House of



Other alternates were: *Front row:* Camilla Bolch, Patty Whited, and Pam Hooper. *Second row:* Collins Nix, Haller Jackson, and Jay Carter.

Three State Offices at PELICAN STATE

Besides taking part in the government, city officials demonstrated their athletic abilities by competing in baseball, basketball, and football games. Unfortunately for the elected delegates, Pelican State consists of Girl's State, held August 5-12, and Boy's State, held August 3-11. During the elections the boys and girls were separated. Perhaps this was the reason they looked forward to their meeting at the end of the conference for the Governor's Ball. Hard work, meaningful friendships, and fun created eight memorable days for Byrd's delegates to Pelican State.



AL HAND
State Treasurer



SCOTTY LYONS
President of the
Police Jury



BOB MINDER
Citizen of the
State



BILL PARKER
House of
Representatives



JOHN PAYNE
House of
Representatives



ELLIOT STONECIPHER
School Board Member



RICHIE WOODALL
Senator

Pelican Girls' State proved to be a rewarding, but tiring experience. After returning to Shreveport Cindy Dorfman, Scotty Comegys, Richie Woodall, and Gay Greengus left to go home to relax and catch up on countless hours of sleep lost during the previous week.

N.F.L. Representatives Won National

Should the voting age be lowered to eighteen? Should young people have a voice in the government? If they are old enough to fight, should they be allowed to vote? In an attempt to enlighten the student body about one of the major issues of today, the Byrd chapter of the National Forensic League, sponsored by Mr. Max Edmonson, presented these and other related ideas in a debate which highlighted one of the first assemblies of the year.

Preparation for the year's activities began the previous summer when various members attended workshops on university campuses throughout the country. Once the participants had mastered debating techniques, they began to raise money by selling donuts and football programs in order to attend out-of-town tournaments.

Debate teams competed with those from other schools in standard debate and cross-examination debate. Individual competition included original oratory, extemporaneous speaking, impromptu speaking, and poetry interpretation. Debaters Cindy Dorfman and Stephanie Woolhandler received special recognition for their participation in the Stanford University Invitational Tournament for high school debaters. In honor of their winning first place, N.F.L. members, along with uniformed members of the Pep Squad, G.O.T.C., and Band, were on hand at the Greater Shreveport Municipal Airport for their return from California.

Byrd's N.F.L. hosted a regional cross-examination tournament on January 3 and 4. The Championship award went to Lamar High School of Houston, Texas. Byrd did not participate in the tournament. Members of N.F.L. closed the year with a banquet honoring all Byrd debaters for a job well done.

First place awards won at tournaments were:

WOODLAWN:

Boys Standard Debate—Jim Cowles, Ben King
Girls Standard Debate—Beverly Lofton, Susi Brown
Junior Boys Debate—Jim Shuey, Betsy Gresham
Girls Extemporaneous—Brenda Hodge
Girls Oratory—Brenda Hodge

JESUIT OF DALLAS:

Boys Standard Debate—Al Prater, Bernard Johnson

HENDERSON STATE TEACHERS' COLLEGE

Over-all Sweepstakes
Outstanding speakers—Betsy Gresham, Jim Shuey
Boys Debate—Mike Monsour, Bernard Johnson
Extemporaneous—Lynne McMahon
Oratory—Linton Carney
Poetry—Myra Linebarier

DENTON:

Poetry—Myra Linebarier

BRYAN ADAMS:

Girls Extemporaneous—Brenda Hodge

NORTHWESTERN:

Senior Men's Debate—Rocky Chalmiers, Al Prater
Senior Women's Debate—Stephanie Woolhandler, Cindy Dorfman
Junior Men's Debate—Jim Shuey, Betsy Gresham
Girls Extemporaneous—Brenda Hodge
Television—Bernard Johnson

Outstanding Speaker (Senior Women's)—Cindy Dorfman

NORTHEAST LOUISIANA STATE COLLEGE:

Senior Boys Debate—Al Prater, Bernard Johnson

STANFORD UNIVERSITY:

Cross-Examination—Stephanie Woolhandler, Cindy Dorfman



Rocky Chalmiers
President



Brenda Hodge
Secretary



Alan Prater
Treasurer



Robert Adams



Becky Angeles



Susi Brown



Linton Carney



Jim Cowles



Cindy Dorfman



Elizabeth Eglin



Kit Gamble



Betsy Gresham



Bernard Johnson



Ben King



March King

Award at Stanford Tournament



During Byrd's invitational tournament for regional debaters, parents of N.F.L. members provided a candlelight supper for all participants and coaches.



Highlighting one of the fall assemblies was a debate on the subject, "Resolved: That the voting age should be lowered to eighteen." Lynne McMahon served as moderator, while Bob Minder and Rocky Chalmers composed the affirmative team.



The banquet for those attending the championship tournament at Byrd was held at the Youth Center after the first rounds of competition.



Jo Ann Landers



Myra Linebarier



Beverly Lofton



D. W. MacKnight



Lynne McMahon



Bob Minder



Mike Monsour



Debbie Price



Jim Shuey



Patty Whited



John Paul Woodley



Shephanie Woolhandler

QUILL AND SCROLL Elected Four New Officers



Carolyn Stuckey
President



Sandy Verhalen
Vice President



Ellice Brown
Secretary



LeRoy Foster
Treasurer

For twenty two years, the Quill and Scroll, an international organization to honor high school journalists, has been a goal for many *Gusher*, "High Life," and "Stentor" workers. Each Junior candidate must have a "B" average while seniors are required to maintain a "C+" in all work.

In a highly competitive group of reporters, each aiming for publication of his own story, a member from the "High Life" staff must have fifty inches of his own material printed in the school newspaper. Each Ad Staff member from the "High Life" must have sold a minimum of \$100 worth of advertising. Each person chosen from the *Gusher* Staff must have spent at least ninety hours at work writing the copy that is the lasting quality of the school yearbook. Each member must be recommended by his sponsor and approved by the principal. Members of the *Stentor* Staff must have sold \$75 worth of ads or contributed twenty-five hours of work editing the stories and poems which are contributed to the magazine by the literary minded students of Byrd.



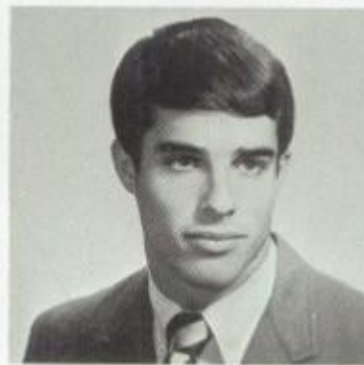
On day of installation ceremony, new member, Scooter Swann, was "pinned" with the blue and gold of the Quill and Scroll, by Pam Lynn, while Lyn Westbrook and Susie Brown awaited their turn. These ribbons were worn until they were exchanged for gold pins at the banquet initiation ceremony.



Laura Bodenheimer



Glenna Gallaspy



Doug Hadra



Cindy Haney



Rick Hawkins



Scotty Lyons



Collins Nix



Debbie Pomeroy



Kayla Vaughan



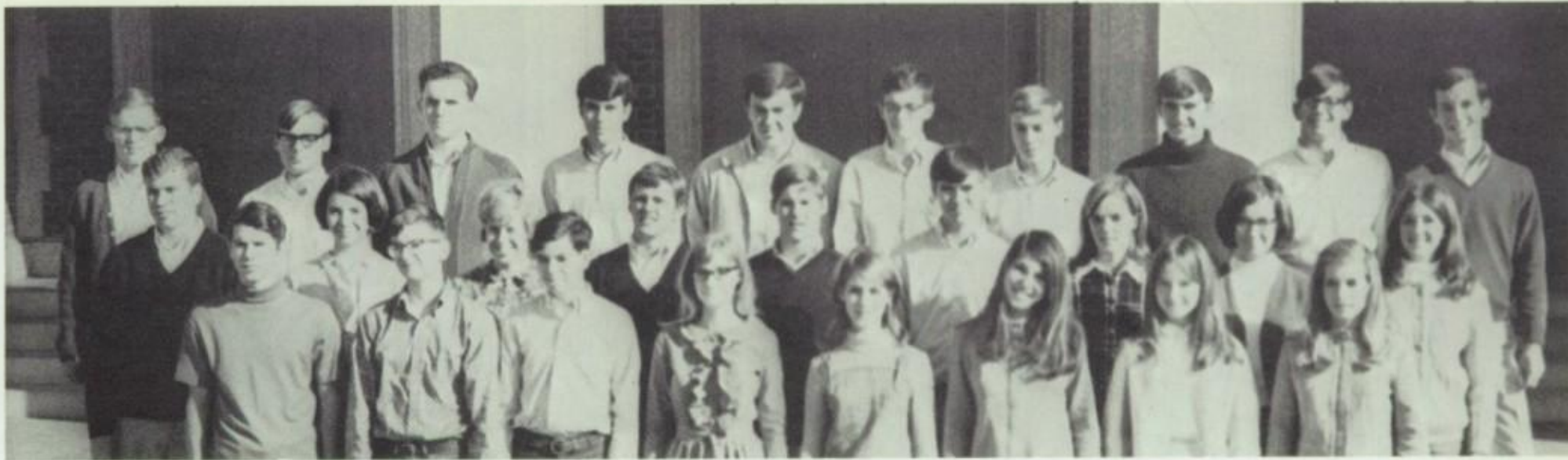
Susan White



Patty Whited



Martin Young



First row: Lynn Westbrook, Tommy Berry, Tommy Landrum, Karen Carter, Cindy Dorfman, Stephanie Woolhandler, Kathleen Mitchell, Leslie Holder. *Second row:* Bernard Johnson, Nancy Creamer, Raynelle Smith, Billy Guin, Alan Ross, Linton Carney, Patty Whited, June Lawrence, Jan Adams. *Third row:* John Zenter, Dan Henderson, Leroy Foster, Jay Carter, Al Hand, Steve Hightower, Charles Gadpaille, Steve Adcock, Herby Rubenstein, Collins Nix.

MU ALPHA THETA Tutored Students of Byrd

Hypotenuse and parabola, hyperbola and abscissa—these sound like zoo animals or names of the Russian seaports to most students, but they are everyday working language to members of Mu Alpha Theta, an honorary organization for students with superior ability in mathematics. A student must have a 3.0 average or better in all subjects, and have previously taken Algebra II. This year Mu Alpha Theta added sixteen additional members to the original fifteen charter members. Mrs. Sallie Moody guided the group in its main project which was the tutoring of students at Byrd. Members of the group attended the convention of this National organization in February. Here they were introduced to the opportunities and challenges for math in the Space Age.

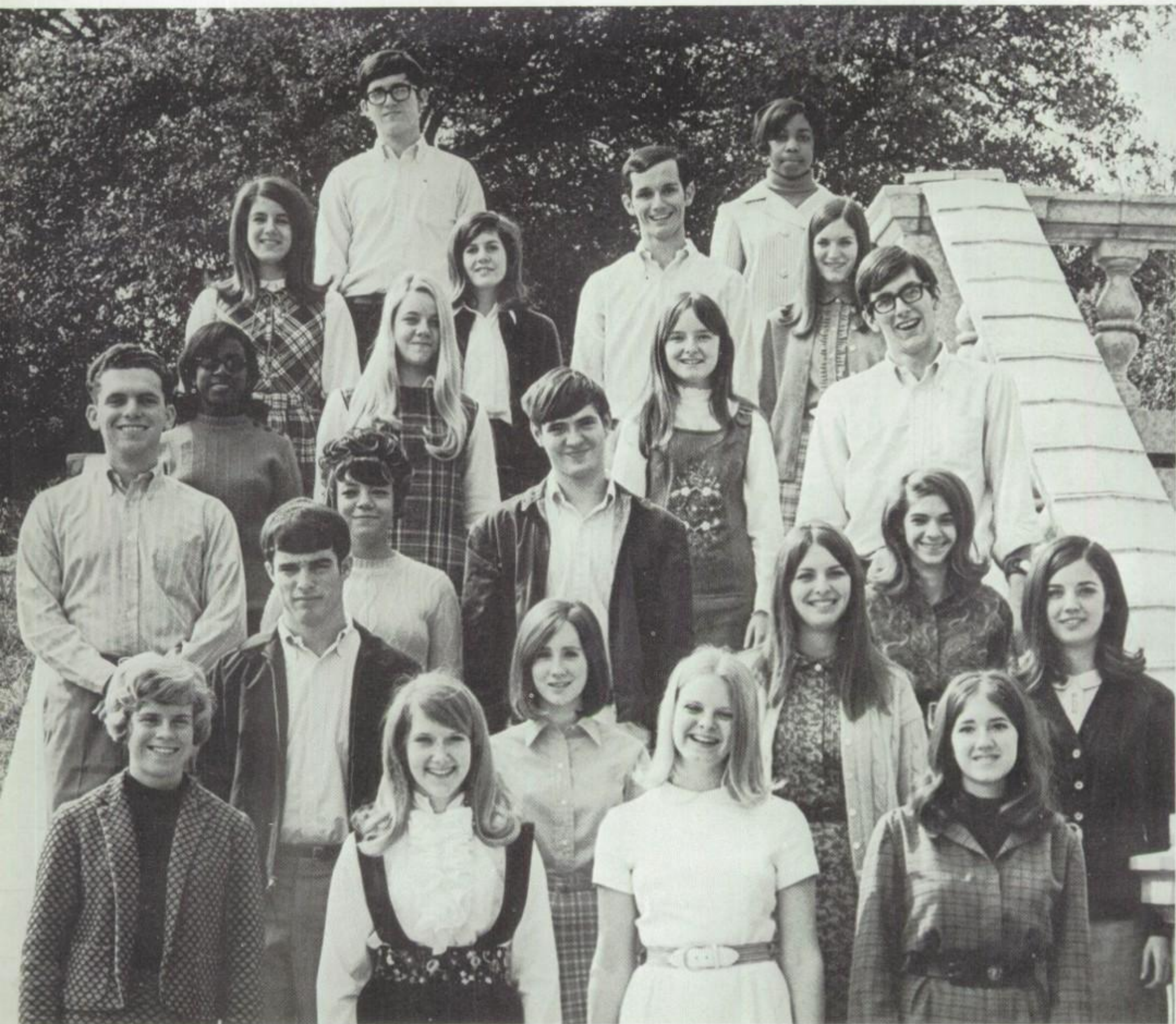


Tutoring is not all hard work, as shown by Mu Alpha Theta members.



Elected as officers for Mu Alpha Theta in 1968 were: Ellice Brown, Vice-President; Nancy Roberts, Secretary-Treasurer; and Jack Shuey, President.

TOP TWENTY-FIVE Honored for Fine Achievements



Seniors ranking as the top twenty-five in their class receive special recognition from the GUSHER Staff for their outstanding grade averages. Semester grades through high school were averaged to determine which graduates were to acquire this honor. The top twenty-five, in order, are: (1) Raynelle Smith, (2) Debbie Dubois, (3) Rande Hedgcock, (6) Jan Adams, (6) Doug Hadra, (8) Marcia McLaughlin, (9) Brenda Hodge, (10) Pam Willis, (11) Leroy

Foster, (12) Linda Hartwell, (13) Linton Carney, (14) Debbie Crosslin, (15) Beverly Joyce Coleman, (15) Scotty Lyons, (15) Tookie Mitchell, (18) John Payne, (19) Amy Lerner, (20) Roslyn Murov, (20) Collins Nix, (20) Donna Rose, (20) Jack Shuey, (24) Sondera Malry. Others ranking in the top twenty-five are: (4) Stephanie Woolhandler, (5) Cindy Dorfman, (24) Camille Sample, and (25) Patricia Jones.

Students Honored for Scholastic Achievements



Scholastic honors were received by Stephanie Woolhandler, who was a semi-finalist in the National Merit Program, and by Alan Prater and Chris Gresham, who came close to the required score on the test and received Letters of Commendation.

High school grades, leadership qualities, extracurricular activities, and high scores on achievement tests influenced the selection of National Merit Finalists. Seven Byrd seniors, receiving outstanding scores on the National Merit Test, became eligible for the position of finalist and a scholarship. Three seniors missed the required score, set by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation, by only one or two points. These students received Letters of Commendation.

Based on the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test, five candidates from the senior class were selected for their scores and their rank in the class for competition in the National Honor Society Scholarship Program.



A high score on the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test made it possible for John Payne, Steve Hightower, and Jack Shuey to compete for a National Honor Society Scholarship. Also in the competition were Cindy Dorfman and Stephanie Woolhandler.



Semi-finalists in the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test were: *Seated:* Cindy Dorfman and Steve Hightower. *Standing:* Linton Carney, John Payne, and Collins Nix.



R.O.T.C. at Byrd does an important job that helps the youth prepare for their military obligation. Since the country is fighting a war and almost every male will have to serve, this job is very important. Although the organization has grown smaller with the school, it has kept exceptional quality. And when its participants are in the service, they will be thankful for the excellent training they received in the R.O.T.C. at Byrd.

ROTC

Varied Activities Expanded R.O.T.C.



Early morning sunlight cast the shadows of PFC Thomas McDaniel, Maj. John Zenter, PFC John McCuen, Sgt. Stan Bussey, Pvt. David Lynam, as they proudly saluted the American flag while it was being hoisted up the flagpole before school by their fellow cadets.



Eager cadets carefully watched as MSG Charles Bryant demonstrated the techniques used in firing a mortar.



For one of the required Americanism assemblies, members of the R.O.T.C. presented a humorous, yet thought provoking skit about the possible future of patriotism in the United States.



Checking each minute detail of his appearance, Capt. Gary Moore carefully inspected Kim Cunningham. Each cadet had the opportunity to win the daily inspection contest for being the best dressed.

BATTALION STAFF Coordinated



BATTALION COMMANDERS
Lt. Colonel Jody D'Anna,
Lt. Colonel Susie Shriver

In charge of all cadet corpsmen at Byrd and responsible for keeping all facets of Byrd's military machine functioning, the Battalion Staff encompasses the highest ranking officers of Byrd's R.O.T.C. Heading this prominent group of officers is the Battalion Commander, Jody D'Anna, who holds the highest position of honor in the military program. Selected from all junior cadets on an academic and leadership basis, he was in charge of Byrd's overall military unit, a tremendous responsibility. The Battalion Commander was the center link in the chain between the students, the Commandant of Cadets, and the principal; in essence, he was the figurehead for Byrd's military organization.

Directly under Lt. Colonel D'Anna were Major John Zenter, S-1, in charge of all paperwork for the battalion, and Captain Phil Boswell, S-4, who handled the insurance and maintenance of the military department. These officers and the other members of the Battalion Staff set the pattern for all cadets serving in Byrd's R.O.T.C., and corpsmen looked to them for leadership and guidance.



In charge of all pre-game ceremonies concerning the flag and its raising and lowering, members of the Byrd R.O.T.C. proudly displayed our nation's symbol of freedom before a Jacket football game.



The flag must be raised by 8:00 every morning and lowered by 3:15 every afternoon in front of the school. Four Byrd cadets performed their duty according to strict military procedure, which was followed to the letter.

BATTALION STAFF

Front row: Major John Zenter, Battalion S-1; Captain Gary Moore, Major Ted Dienst, Captain Phil Boswell, Battalion S-4; Sergeant James Wolfenberger. *Second row:* Captain Oliver Carroll, Band Commander; Sergeant Dan Martin, Major Richard Boyce, Major Marvin Street, Captain Sandy Collins, Captain Rick Hawkins.

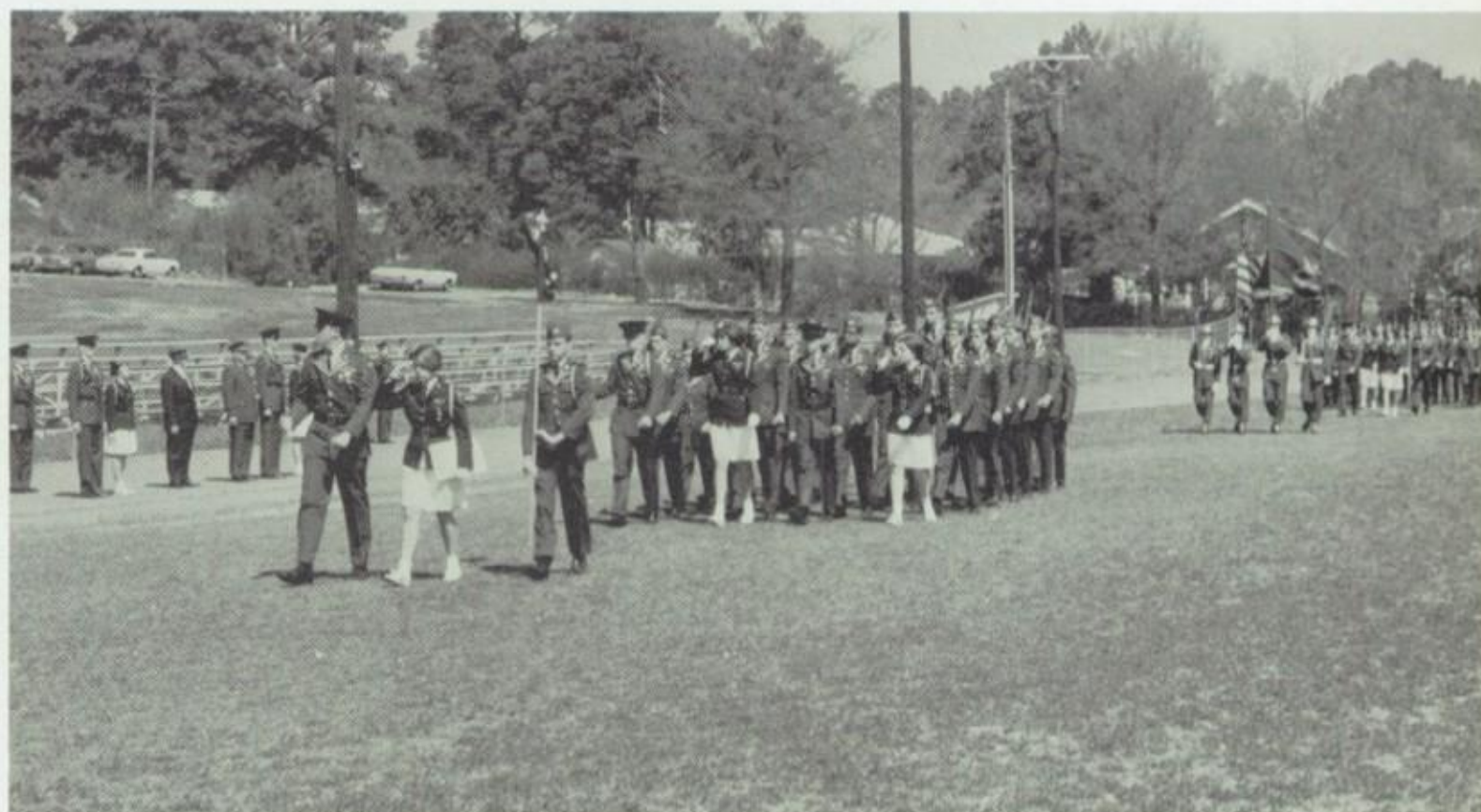


Byrd Military Corps



Discussing last minute details for a military parade, members of the Corps and their sponsors reviewed all phases of the function in order to avoid any mistakes in the performance. They were: *Front row:* Susie Shriver, John Zenter, Dan Martin, Donna Dotson, Beverly Lackey, Marvin Street. *Second row:* Sandy Collins, Stephanie Coffman.

One of the most impressive sights in any parade was the massed companies passing in review and executing Eyes Right in front of the Battalion Staff. "A" Company performed this maneuver in a form that rated it high in the weekly competition in determining the best company for the parade.



SPONSORS' DRILL TEAM
Front row: Lt. Colonel Susie Shriver, Major Donna Dotson, Major Beverly Lackey, Major Gail Sandifer, Major Stephanie Coffman. *Second row:* Captain Linda Hartwell, Captain Sally Box, Captain Margaret Prim.

"A" Company Commander Chosen



COMPANY OFFICERS

Front row: Capt. David Head, Captain Salley Box. *Second row:* 2nd Lt. Paul Watson, 2nd Lt. Chuck Johnson, 1st Sgt. H. R. Dugan, Guidon Dan Henderson.

Under the capable leadership of Cadet Commander, Captain David Head, "A" Company displayed determination, pride, and a sound display of loyalty throughout the year. Captain Head was chosen outstanding Company Commander for the first semester. On the parade grounds and in the classroom, the cadets of "A" Company have become members of the R.O.T.C. team, which became coordinated in working together. The two platoons of "A" Company have been under the supervision of Second Lieutenant Charles Johnson and Second Lieutenant Paul Watson. The control and leadership of the non-commissioned officers has been in the hands of Cadet First Sergeant Haywood Dugan.



"Sound off!" commanded Doug Rymer, as the cadets of "A" Company marched on parade days, chanting while marching inspired the cadets.



During Federal Inspection, the cadets were at their best in order to maintain Byrd's rating as an Honor School. Fixed rigidly at attention, Cadet Gates and the remainder of "A"



Sergeant David Yerton taught map reading, an essential part of life in the armed forces, to all senior cadets.

Outstanding at Mid-Term



Front row: Staff Sgt. Randy Turner, Sgt. Doug Thomas, PFC James Roach, PFC David Fluker, PFC Weldon Turner. *Second row:* Sgt. Larry McIntosh, PFC Doug Rymer, PFC John Veal, PFC Glenn Coleman. *Third row:* Sgt. Terry Street, PFC Steve Morris, PFC David Henry, PFC Robert Hamm.

First row: Plt. Sgt. Lynn Gorday, Sgt. John Paul Woodley, Sgt. Willard Tarver, PFC John Farely, PFC Ronny Cicero, Cpl. Gordon Robertson. *Second row:* Sgt. Joe Davis, PFC Ted Johnson, PFC Cecil Scarborough, PFC Cliff Cheramie. *Third row:* Sgt. Bill Pearce, PFC Nelson Cameron, PFC Joe Madden, PFC Michael Kimball, PFC Mike Noble.



Efficiency is the key word in R.O.T.C. Sgt. David Yerton inspected Willard Tarver's weapon to make sure it was clean.

"B" Company Chosen Outstanding



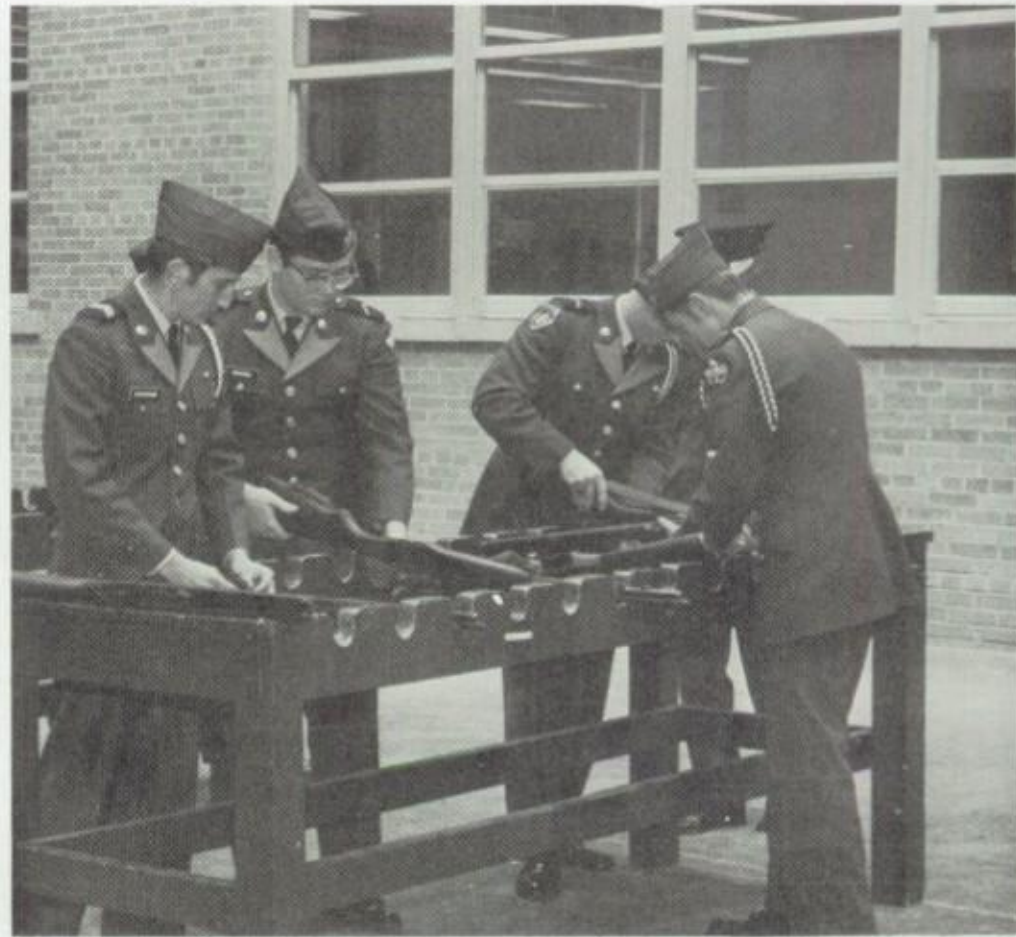
COMPANY COMMANDERS

Front row: Sgt. Lynn Westbrook, Cpt. Jimmy Lenior, Cpt. Margaret Prim, PFC Richard Head. Second row: Cpt. Steven Smith.

Cadet Captain Jimmie Lenoir, Executive officer, Lieutenant Steve Smith; and Platoon leaders Second Lieutenants Charles Wallace and Dan Martin, led "B" Company in garnering many honors. "B" Company received a very high honor in being named the outstanding company for the first semester. This was done in competition with all other R.O.T.C. units. The cadets of "B" Company displayed loyalty to all phases of the R.O.T.C. program throughout the year. Cadet First Sergeant Lynn Westbrook was the inspiration in the guidance of the non-commissioned officers of "B" Company.



In making ready for inspection the Cadets of "B" Company checked their weapons to make sure everything was in order.



Efficiency is the key word in R.O.T.C. Members of "B" Company demonstrated this by keeping their weapons in top condition.



During federal inspection, the visiting officer quizzed the cadets of "B" Company on their knowledge of military procedure. All members of "B" Company passed, maintaining Byrd's Honor School rating.

During First Semester



Front row: Sgt. Mike Newman, Sgt. Tommy Elbert, Sgt. Charles Gates, PFC Thomas McDaniel, PFC Lane Scott, Pvt. Kim Cunningham. *Second row:* Sgt. Chris Wilmoth, PFC John McCuen, PFC Mike Crane, PFC Charles Pierce. *Third row:* Sgt. Mark Anderson, Cpl. David Copp, PFC Harvey Nichols, PFC Ronald Harris.

Front row: Sgt. Thomas Scales, Sgt. Stan Bussey, PFC Tony D'Anna, Pvt. DeLarue Williams, Pvt. David Lynam, Pvt. Mike Crane. *Second row:* PFC Tommy Parks, PFC Jim Morgan, PFC Keenan McConico. *Third row:* Sgt. Bryan Cockerham, PFC David Payne, PFC Peter Moncrief, PFC Noel Whatley.



During morning parade, "B" Company stood ready to perform any military maneuvers asked of them.



BAND COMPANY

First row: Second Lieutenant David Gesn, PFC Russell Hurst, Sgt. Andrew Hall. *Second row:* PFC Lamar Thompson, PFC Mike Swafford, PFC Mark Thomas. *Third row:* Sgt. James Holt, Cpl. Paul Green, PFC Ralph Halliway, PFC Mike Broussard.

BAND Provided Cadence for Marching

"To the Colors" salutes the flag and "Present Arms" rings across the parade ground. Band Company moves off—120 steps per minute—setting the cadence for the entire battalion. Band Company had the responsibility of providing inspiring music for the cadets as they strove to execute different military maneuvers.

Band Company has an established repertoire of music, scored primarily with the small band in mind; they play many variations of these scores. To make it more difficult, they have to march while playing in the basic military cadence of 120 steps per minute. In preparation for the annual Federal Inspection Band Company put in many hours of work after school to make the corps place high in the rankings.

Band Commander Oliver Carroll passed inspection on PFC Ralph Halliway before parade time.



As the band formed before a Tuesday morning parade, a final inspection was carried out.

Band Commander Oliver Carroll signaled the band to readiness.



RIFLE TEAM Excelled in Marksmanship



Members of "A" rifle team were: Doug Thomas, Marvin Street, Lynn Westbrook, Randy Turner, Joe Madden.

Exhibiting the spirit of sportsmanship, the 1968-69 Byrd Rifle Team carried out their tradition at Byrd. The team consisted of "A" and "B" teams. Members of this year's "A" team, commanded by Cadet Major Marvin Street and Sponsor Major Beverly Lackey, fired in competition at Arlington, Center, and Orange, Texas. They also participated in the Shreveport City League and in the Holiday-in-Dixie in Shreveport.

Preparing the "B" team for future "A" team positions was Cadet Major Marvin Street. This year the "B" team participated also in the Shreveport City League and in the Holiday-in-Dixie Competition. The "B" team accompanied the "A" team on many out-of-town trips to help prepare themselves for next year's matches.

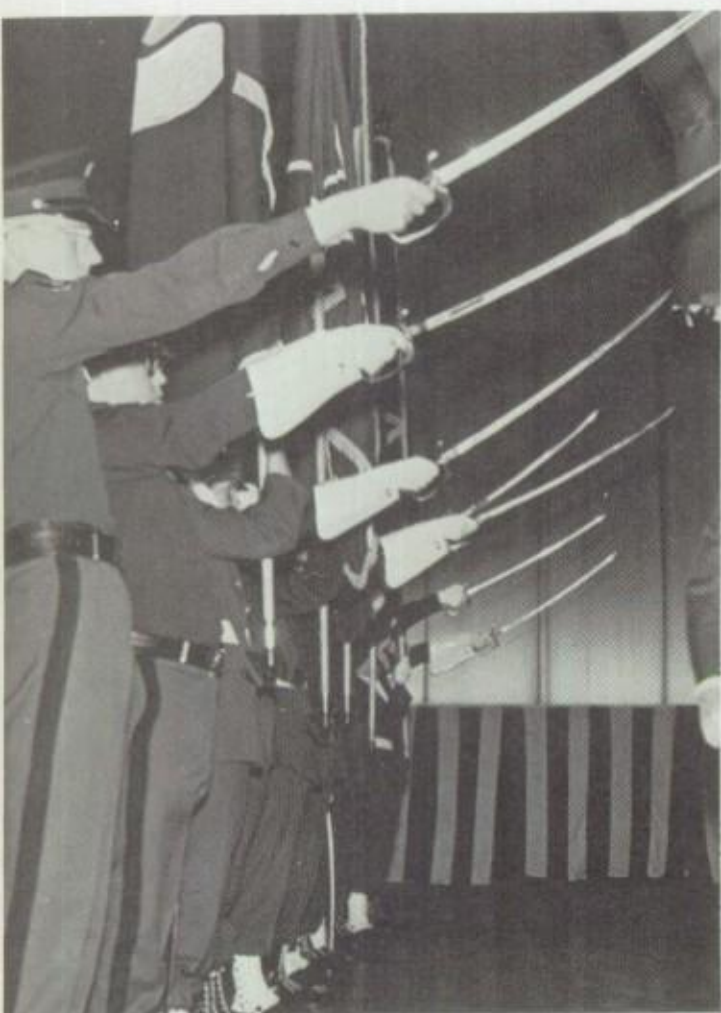
During Go-to-School night, Marvin Street and Randy Miles stood at the Rifle team display which consisted of different types of rifles and uniforms.



Becoming a member of the "A" Rifle Team required many extra hours of practice at the rifle range. These *kneeling* were: Joe Madden, Lynn Westbrook, Doug Thomas. *Standing*: Marvin Street, Randy Turner, and sponsor Beverly Lackey.

SILVER SABERS Exhibited

Front row: Margaret Prim, Mike Kimball, Jim Morgan, Oliver Carroll, Jimmy Wolfenberger, Weldon Turner, Nelson Cameron, and Ron Harris. Second row: Richard Head, Mike Crane, John Paul Woodley, Thomas McDaniel, Steve Morris, and Sandy Collins.



Gleaming swords pierced the air as the Silver Saber Team went into action at the annual Military Ball.

Byrd has the unique honor of having the only saber team in the city. The group, organized for the first time this year, is known as the "Silver Sabers." They guarded and exhibited the ten flags of Louisiana. Since Byrd was the only school in the state to have the entire roster of all flags that have flown over our state, this is quite an honor. They also exhibited the flags at Civic functions, parades, and historical events throughout Shreveport and the area. Also, being the only saber group in the city, they formed the Arch of Steel at the Military Ball on January 31. The entire Brigade passed under the sabers held by the members of Byrd's newest addition to its excellent R.O.T.C. program.



Byrd's Silver Sabers proudly exhibited the Ten Flags of Louisiana, as they marched in the annual Holiday-in-Dixie parade.

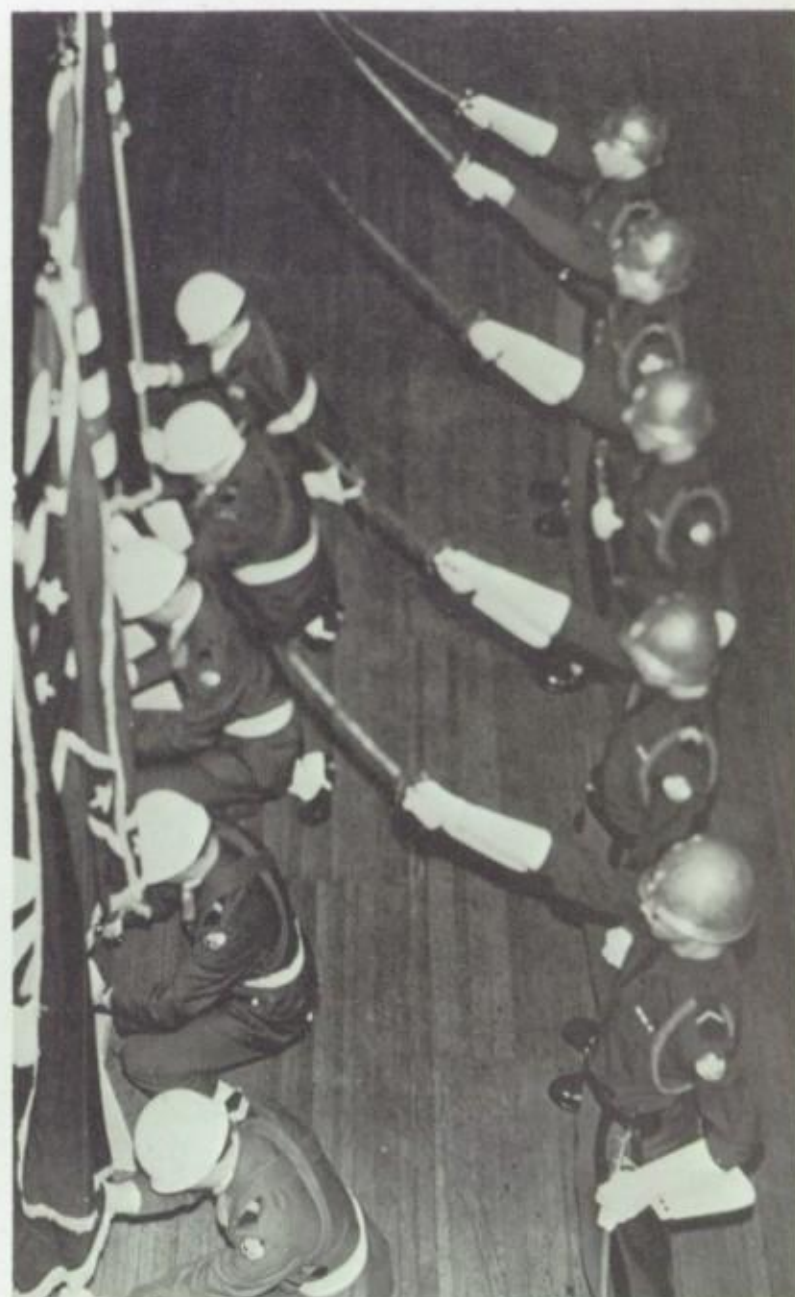
Ten Flags of Louisiana



Front row: Susie Shriver, Sgt. Joe Davis, Robert Strong, Lane Scott, Lamar Thompson, Charles Pierce, David Fluker, Tommy Watson, Cecil Scarborough, and Linda Hartwell. *Second row:* Joe Davis, Edward Dudley, Marion Tarver, Doug Rymer, and James Roach.



Cadet Lt. Colonel Jody D'Anna and Sponsor Lt. Colonel Susie Shriver, the commanders of the Byrd Battalion were presented under the Arch of Steel formed by Byrd's Silver Sabers.



At the Military Ball, the Silver Sabers displayed the Ten Flags of Louisiana and prepared for the Presentation of the Brigade.

PATTON PLATOON Took



Front row: Donna Dotson, Richard Boyce. *Second row:* Stan Bussey, Jody D'Anna, John McCuen, Bryan Cockerham, Tommy Elbert, David Head. *Third Row:* Gary Moore, Lynn Gordey, John Farley, Terry Street, Chuck Johnson. *Fourth row:* John Zenter, Randy Turner, John Veal, Tony D'Anna, Mike Newman. *Fifth row:* Marvin Street, Jimmy Lenior, Bill Pearce, Mark Anderson, Robert Hamm.



In downtown Shreveport, during Holiday in Dixie, the Patton Platoon was a part of the historical parade.



Rigid military discipline was displayed by members of the Patton Platoon at attention.

Part in Holiday in Dixie



"Right flank, march," came ringing across the Jacket practice grounds every clear afternoon, beginning in late summer, as cadets dressed in green and khaki performed intricate maneuvers with military precision; Byrd's crack drill team was on the march. These long afternoons resulted in the "spit and polish" that was so much a part of Jacket pride. Organized in 1952, the G. S. Patton Platoon develops character through rigid military discipline. It is named in honor of the famous World War II general, George S. Patton. The platoon is the symbol of dignity to every R.O.T.C. group. Commanded by Major Richard Boyce and Sponsor Major Donna Dotson, the Patton Platoon took part in many activities. Among these were the Natchitoches and other Christmas Festivals, Byrd's Homecoming, Holiday in Dixie, the State Fair, and Veteran's Day parades.

The highlight of the year was their trip to Arlington, Texas, to participate in the U.S. Army's Drill Team competition.



Four squads of cadets prepared to demonstrate the "Queen Anne's Salute," an intricate, but impressive, maneuver.



In order to obtain a high rating during Federal Inspection, the unit stood in rigid formation to be reviewed.



Performing with their M-1 rifles, the Patton Platoon executed a precision drill which required the highest degree of coordination and alertness.



Staff Sgt.
Lynn Gordy
President



Staff Sgt.
Mike Newman
Vice-President



Sgt. Bill
Pearce
Secretary



Staff Sgt.
Randall Turner
Treasurer

NCO Held Fund Raising Car Wash

An important part of Byrd's R.O.T.C. program was the Non-Commissioned Officers Club. The club, made up of cadets ranking from Private First Class to Staff Sergeant, stressed leadership values while preparing cadets to hold officer positions next year by the improvement of their command voices, confidence, and military bearing. The Color Guard, made up of NCO members, performed at halftime of the Byrd Homecoming and also attended Christmas festivals in Natchitoches and Many, Louisiana.

The traditional football game between the Officers Club and NCO has always been one of strong rivalry, and after several knock-down, drag-out battles, the NCO's proved to be worthy opponents of the Officers Club.



Cpl. Nelson Cameron, Staff Sgt. Tommy Scales, Staff Sgt. Lynn Gordy, Staff Sergeant Stan Bussey, Staff Sgt. Randy Turner, and Cpl. Tony D'Anna made plans for a fund-raising project.



Sgt. Bryan
Cockerham



Sgt. Joe
Davis



Sgt. Tommy
Elbert



P.F.C. Andrew
Thomas McDaniel



Sgt. Lawrence
McIntosh



Cpl. Dale
Mays



P.F.C.
Tommy Parks



P.F.C. Charles
Pierce



Sgt. Thomas
Edward Scales



Sgt. Terry
Street



Sgt. Maron
Willard Tarver



P.F.C.
Willie Tralor



P.F.C. Weldon
Wade Turner



Staff Sgt. Lynn
Westbrook



Sgt. James
Wolfenberger



Sgt. John
Paul Woodley

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Marvin Street



Secretary
Major
Donna Dotson



Treasurer
Major
Beverly Lackey

Coordinating all R.O.T.C. activities was the Officers and Sponsors Club. In November they helped raise funds for the Military Ball and for the summer camp, Camp Shreve, held at Fort Polk. Then with colder weather came the spaghetti supper. Cadets, friends, and boosters of the Corps filled the Byrd Cafeteria and filled themselves with succulent spaghetti and French bread; the profits from this event added substantially to the summer camp fund. Then came the cake sale that had sponsors both making cakes and offering them for sale in the carnival atmosphere; both of those events helped defray the cost of the Military Ball held in the Municipal Auditorium. At last on January 31, came the biggest social event of the ROTC year, the Military Ball. The officers and sponsors of the battalion were responsible for the decorations in the huge auditorium and for all the preparation that climaxed in the pageantry of the "Arch of Steel" presentation and the swirling colors as cadets and their dates danced to the music of the "Excuses."

Finally in the spring came the big moment of Federal Inspection. For this event officers had prepared cadets in all facets of military life, and sponsors had encouraged participation of all cadets in every event of ROTC. With the awarding of the banners of an Honor School to Byrd, the Officers and Sponsors Club could close a rewarding year and look back on months of duty and fun; they were truly the core of the ROTC.



Captain
Phil Boswell



Captain
Sally Box



Captain
Oliver Carroll



Major
Stephanie Coffman



Captain
Sandford Collins



Major
Ted Dienst



Lt. Col.
Jody D'Anna



2nd Lt.
David Gesn



Captain
Linda Hartwell



Captain
Rick Hawkins



Captain
David Head



2nd Lt.
Chuck Johnson



Captain
Jimmy Lenoir



Captain
Gary Moore



Captain
Margaret Prim



Major
Sandra Sandifer



Lt. Col.
Susan Shriver



Captain
William Smith



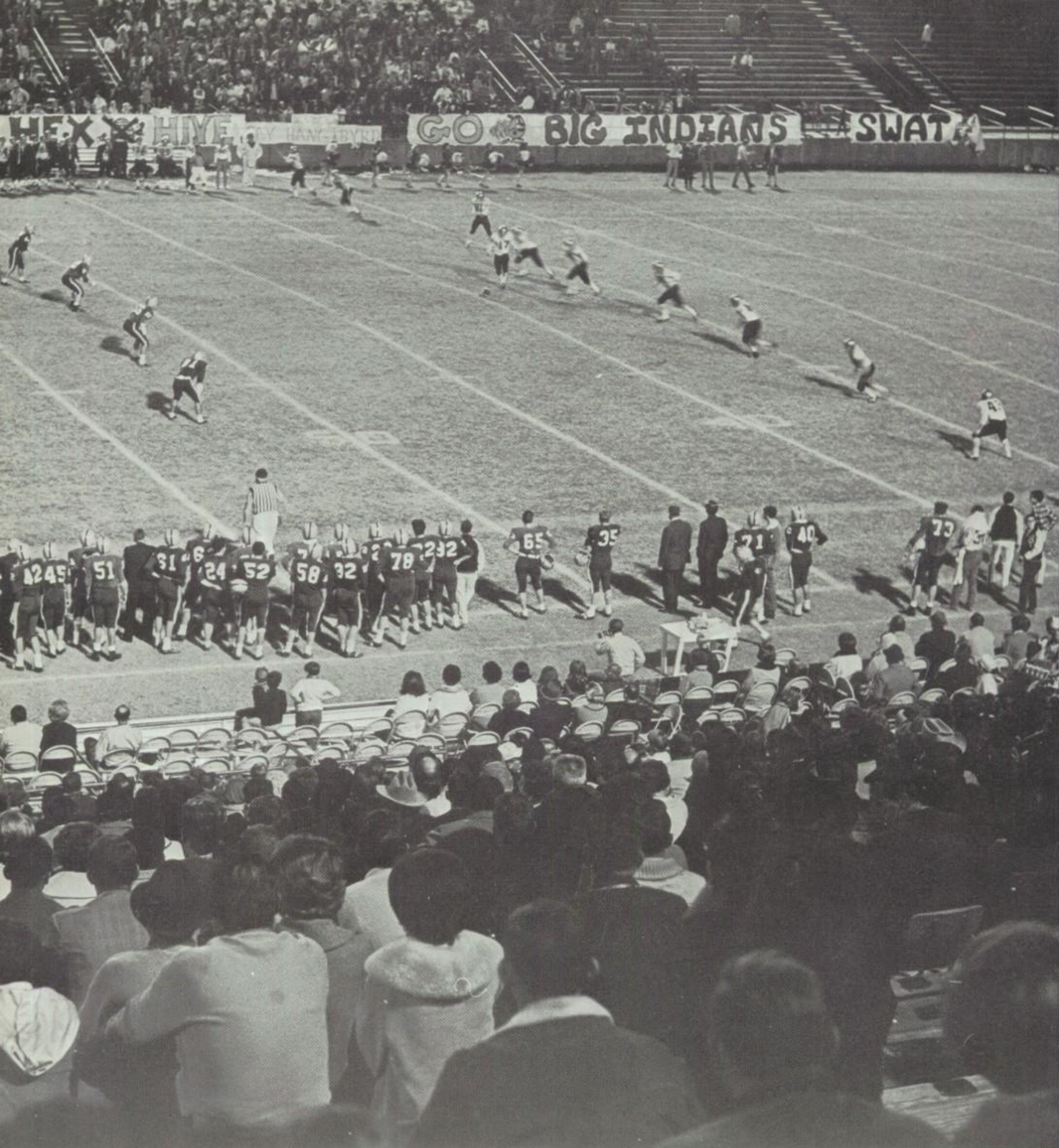
2nd Lt.
Chuck Wallace



2nd Lt.
Paul Watson



Captain
John Zenter



Athletics will always play an important part in the lives of people, especially the students at Byrd. It not only teaches sportsmanship, but also determination as well. Byrd has seen many great teams and many great athletes, as well as mediocre ones. But the records are not the important part; instead the lessons that are taught on the athletic fields will stay with participants and spectators for life. The work and sweat from the previous weeks pay off on Friday night at the stadium.

Athletics



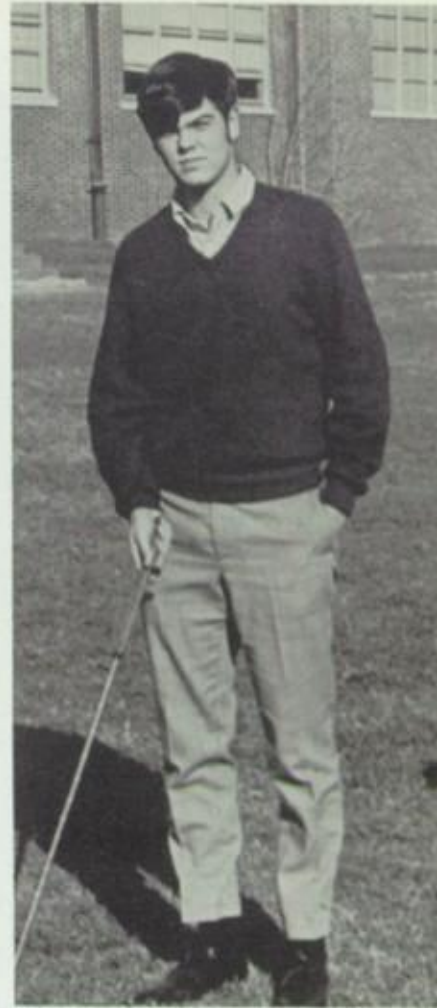
KIM KAYSER—Sr.
Letterman I



ROCKY CHALMIERS—Sr.
Letterman I



HERBY RUBENSTEIN—Jr.
Letterman I



GRAY TEEKELL—Sr.
Letterman I

GOLFERS Captured Regional Crown

Keeping alive an unbelievable string of championships, Byrd's linksters took an unprecedented 7th straight North Louisiana golf title at the Regional Championships held at Meadowlake Country Club. Led by Miles Donaldson and Rocky Berlin, co-medalists at the regional tournament, the Jacket golfers placed a respectable ninth in the state high school championship held in Baton Rouge. Jimmy

Patton, Vince James, and Charlie Tyler also lent valuable support to the Jacket cause as the Byrd team compiled a fine 13-3 record. A strong B-team posted a record of 12 wins and 4 losses; members of this team included Rocky Chalmiers, Kim Kayser, Gary Teekell, Herby Rubenstein, and Bobby McCreight. All members of the junior varsity will be returning in 1969.



Providing valuable back-up support for this year's golf team are Tommy Landrum, Tom Bachman, Ken Shaw, Bobby McCreight, Danny Booras, Gary Whitener.

JACKET NETTERS



ere Overdyke, a senior and three year letterman, was one of the members of the doubles team of Byrd. This doubles team was ranked as number twelve in the nation and once again pointed honor toward Byrd.

Since 1959, Byrd has virtually dominated the game of tennis in Louisiana high schools, going through 150 consecutive dual matches without defeat and slipping out of first or second place only in 1960. Our unbeaten team was unmatched in state prep athletic circles.

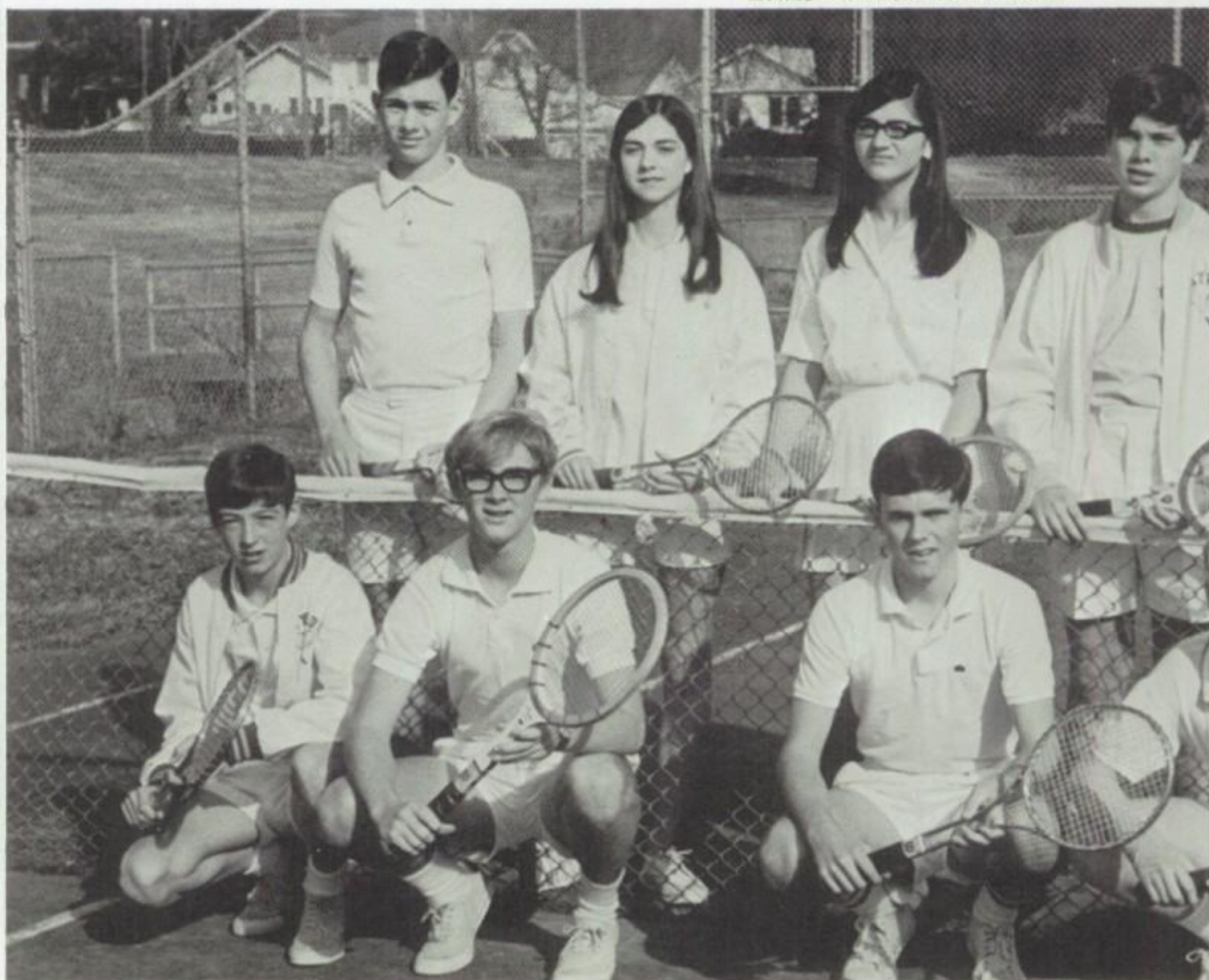
Jacket netters, under the skilled leadership of Miss Helene McCarter, captured state titles since 1959, and in May the champs took part in the National Interscholastic Championships held in Chattanooga, Tennessee. This season, after Byrd's 150th win in dual match competition, they were presented a victory cake at Querbes Tennis Center.

In the regular dual season, Byrd copped 214 individual or doubles wins with only 38 losses.



Cathy Trichel, a senior, lettered two years and was the backbone of the girl's team, offering her skill and help to the newer members of the team.

The 1969 Freshman and Sophomore squadmen were: *Front row:* David Whitener, Paul Massey, and Steve Redden. *Second row:* Clay Gaves, Valerie Morelock, Rachel Ginsburg, and Peter Minder.



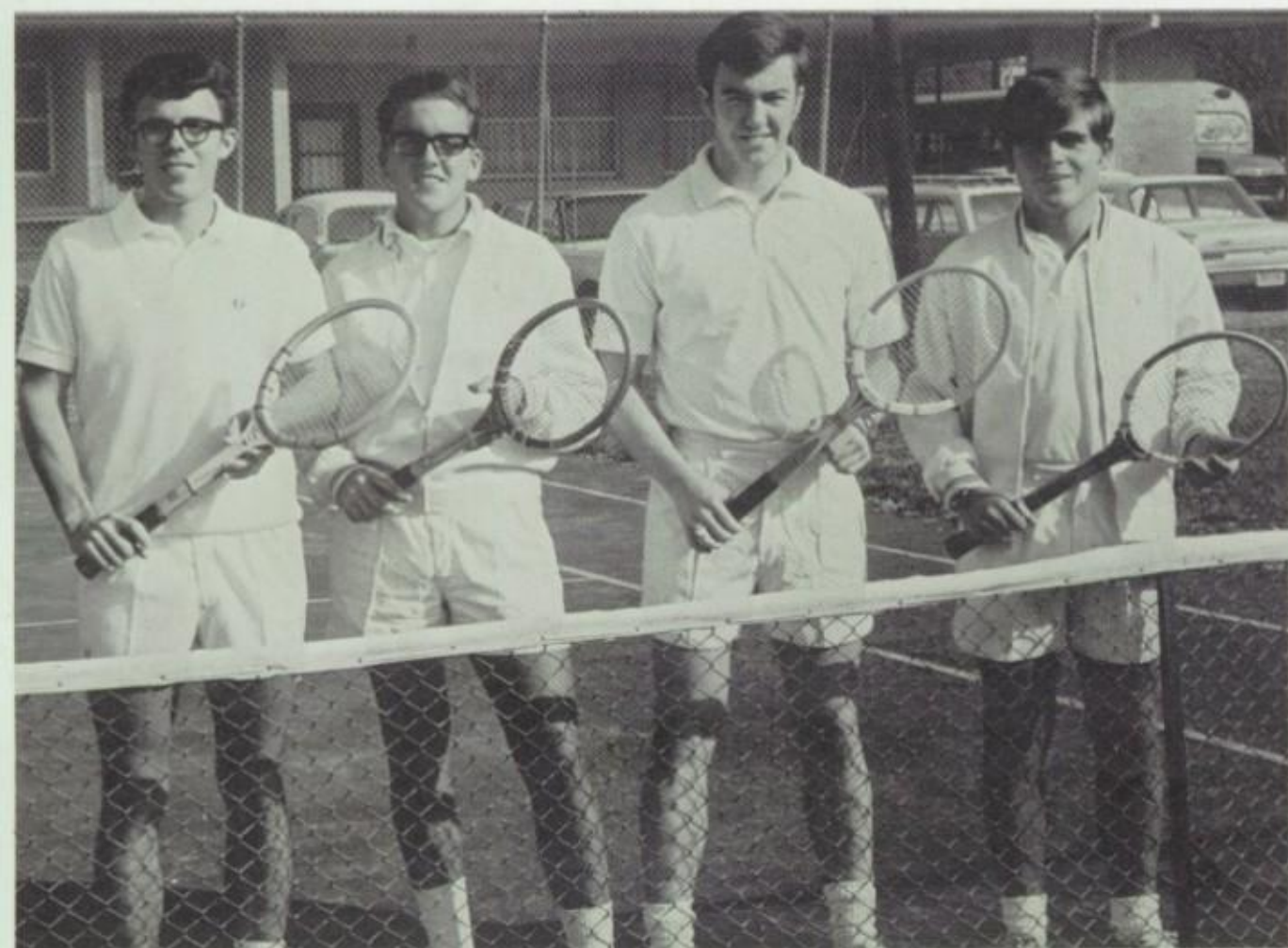
Captured 150th Win



Mark Massey, a senior and three year letterman was the other half of the nationally ranked doubles group and was also beneficial to the team with his work in singles competition.



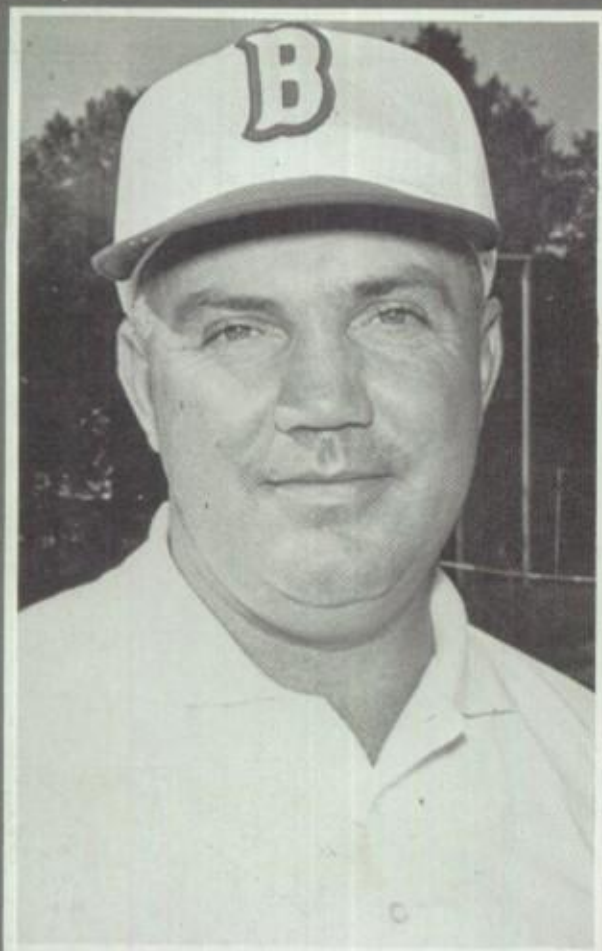
The Junior and Senior girl squadmen included; *Front row:* Pat Lindsey, Kathy Fontane, Suzy Sklar, and Frances Jones. *Second row:* Edith Stevens, Laura Bodenheimer, Cathy Tucker, and Rande Hedgcock.



Junior and senior boy squadmen this year were Stephens, Mike Klesert, Al Hand, and Tony Klesert.



Candy Covington, a junior and two year letterman, was a strong force for the girls.



Succeeding retiring J. D. Cox, Jimmy Harrison, a Byrd graduate, took over as head coach this year. Establishing records in the jamboree and introducing a new style of offense were two of Coach Harrison's most notable achievements in 1968.



Front row: Robert Mabry, Gary Brownlee, Billy Hyde, and Chris Anthony. *Second row:* Mike Bowden, Jimmy Boyd, Martin Yarbrough, and Mike Judlin. *Third row:* Tom Teasley, Fred Rosenblath, Towny Robinson, Jere Overdyke, and Mike Sumter. *Fourth row:* Bill Morris, Mike Swinney, Walter Holder, and Steve Middleton.

Byrdites Had

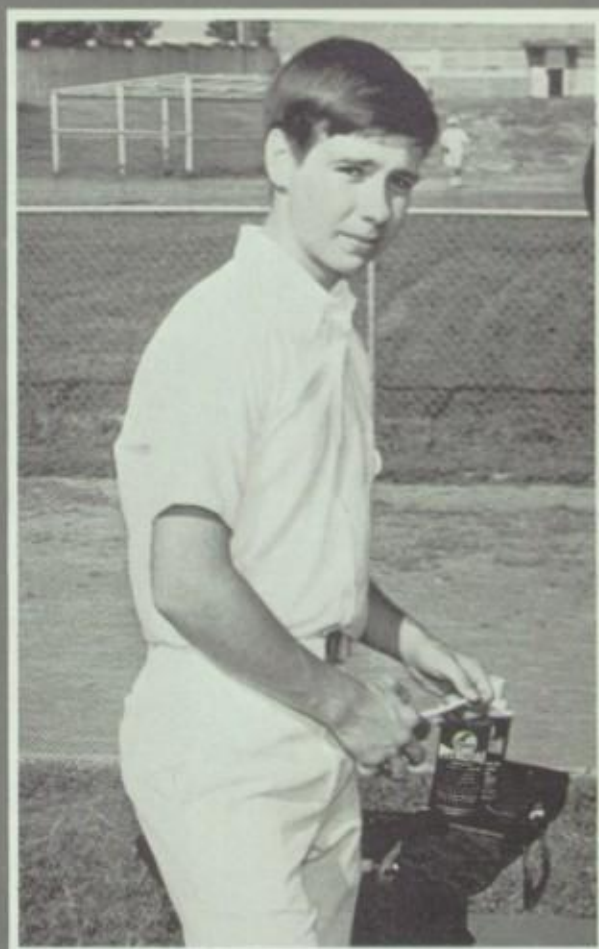
Although the Byrd Yellow Jackets dropped many football games in 1968, those were the only things they lost. The support of old graduates, the fierceness to win expressed by the coaches, and even the old Jacket pride and determination were vividly present in both players and students. However, it was not really the old Jacket spirit, but a new and different one, one that sang, "We are Jackets" when Byrd was behind 38-0 to Neville, one that congratulated the football players for keeping Woodlawn from scoring for a quarter and a half, even though the Byrdmen eventually dropped a 49-7 decision.



Leadership, poise, and ability were displayed by Jacket returning lettermen: *Front row:* Mike Judlin, Bill Parker, and John O'Hara. *Second row:* Tom Teasley, Fred Rosenblath, Dickie Grieder, Mike Sumter, and Towny Robinson.



Front row: Billy Fraser, John Cordell, Will McCrocklin, and Randy West. *Second row:* Dickie Grieder, John O'Hara, Bill Parker, and Scooter Swann. *Third row:* Craig Flournoy, Bill Clark, Tommy Ham, and Charles Thrash. *Fourth row:* James Bradford, Ted Mitchell, David Adams, Harry Crawford, and Joe Dover.



In charge of treating and caring for Jacket injuries throughout the '68 football year was trainer Larry Larsen.

2-8 Season Mark

It was a spirit that cheered the Byrdites on in the jamboree as they tied Jesuit, rumbled past Fair Park, and set new records for Byrd. The Jacket spirit was ever-present through the nightmarish first seven games of the season as the Jacket gridders could not manage a win. The fabulous fans of Jacket football gave new coach Jimmy Harrison continued support throughout the year and cheered as his players presented him with a birthday victory over Center. Finally our "Iron Men," a nucleus of 13 men who did most of the playing, "won the West" with a 20-14 victory over Fair Park on a cold and rainy night.



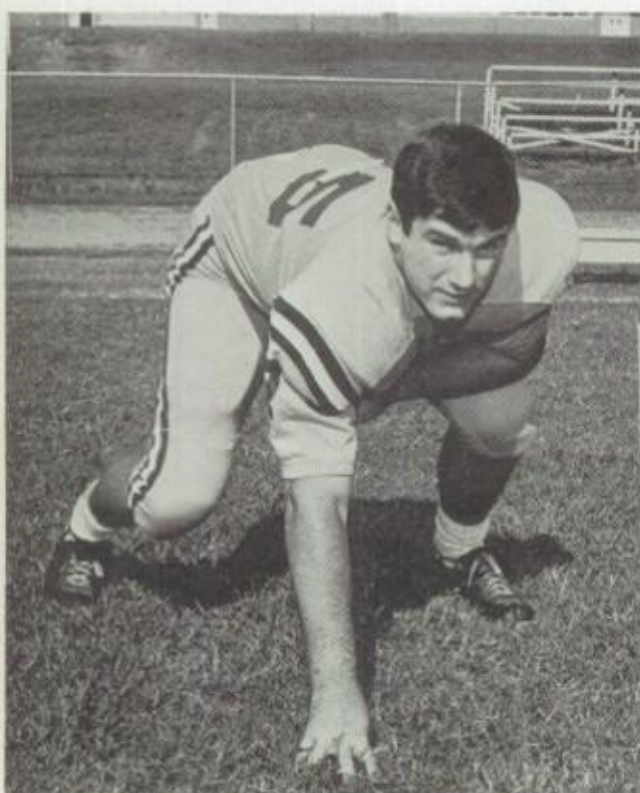
Overseeing and conditioning over fifty boys is no easy task, but our fine coaching staff was more than up to the job. In charge of all practices and responsible for game strategy throughout the year are coaches Gene Hamner, Larry Rambin, Larry Kahlden, John Rogers, and Head Coach Jimmy Harrison.



Halfback Roy Burroughs pounded ahead for fifteen yards in Byrd's 21-6 victory over Center.



JOHN O'HARA—Sr.
End—Letterman III



TOWNY ROBINSON—Sr.
Tackle—Letterman II



JERE OVERDYKE—Sr.
End—Letterman I

Jackets Established Scoring

BYRD 20

RUSTON 33

Despite a series of tremendous comebacks, the Jacket footballers were defeated 33-20 by the Ruston Bearcats in the opener for both teams.

Using only thirteen players throughout most of the game, Byrdites came back from a two-touchdown first half deficit to tie the score. Dickie Grieder carried the ball over from the twelve yard line, and Mike Judlin snared a 31-yard pass from Bill Parker to knot the score at 13 all. After Ruston came back to score again, the Jackets struck on a 75-yard bomb from Parker to Jere Overdyke. With the game tied at 20-20, only two and a half minutes left, and the Byrdmen in possession of the ball near midfield, it appeared that the Jackets would gain at least a tie, but Ruston was not to be denied a victory. A costly fumble recovered by the Bearcats paved the way for two more touchdowns and a conquest of the Jackets. Outstanding for Byrd on offense was tailback Parker, who completed 11 of 22 passes for better than 200 yards, while safety Grieder had eleven solo tackles and linebacker Craig Flournoy added seven to stand out on defense.



Mike Bowden came up from his corner linebacker post to put the Jacket sting on a Woodlawn Knight.



FREDDY ROSENBLATH—Sr.
Center—Letterman II



Excited Jackets "bust" the hoop in the traditional pre-game ceremony before the Captain Shreve encounter.

Record in Jamboree

BYRD 0

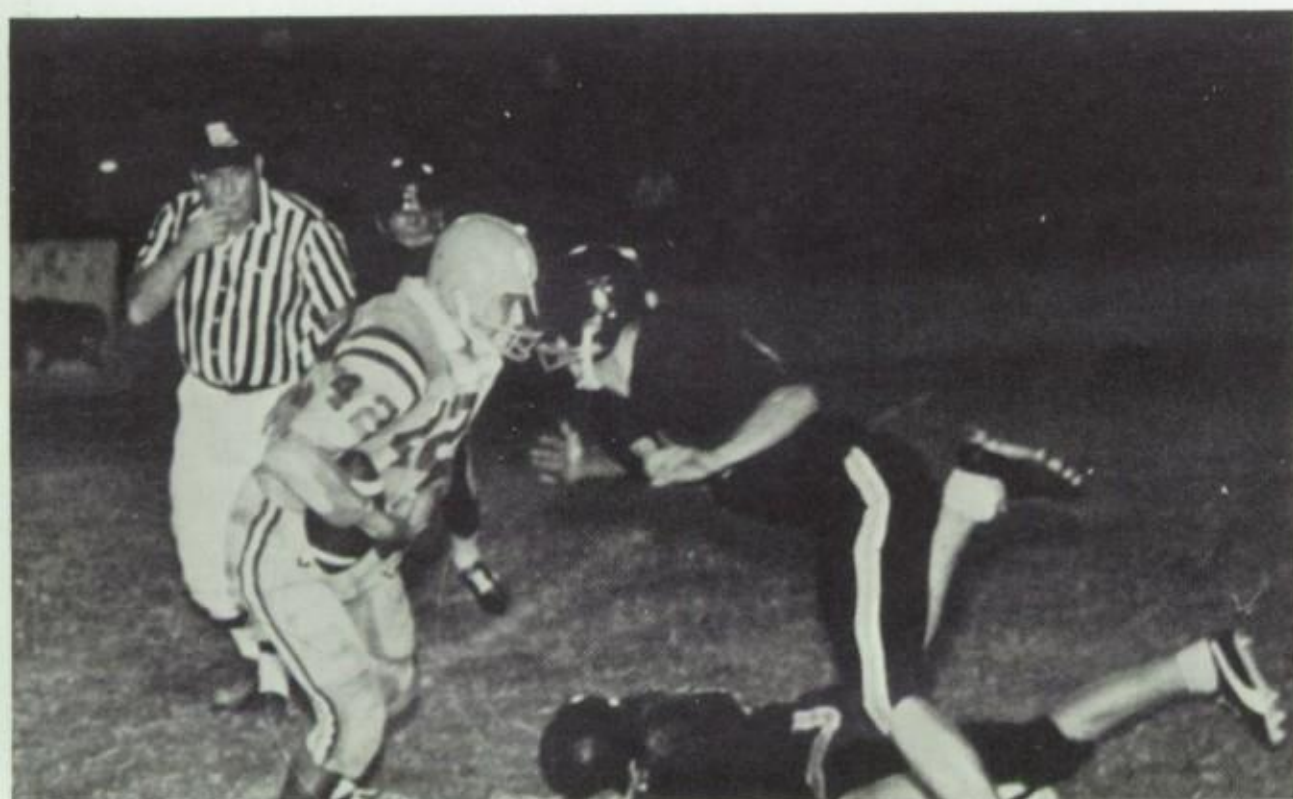
NEVILLE 45

Friday the 13th held nothing but bad luck for the Jacket gridders as they fell to the Neville Tigers by a score of 45-0.

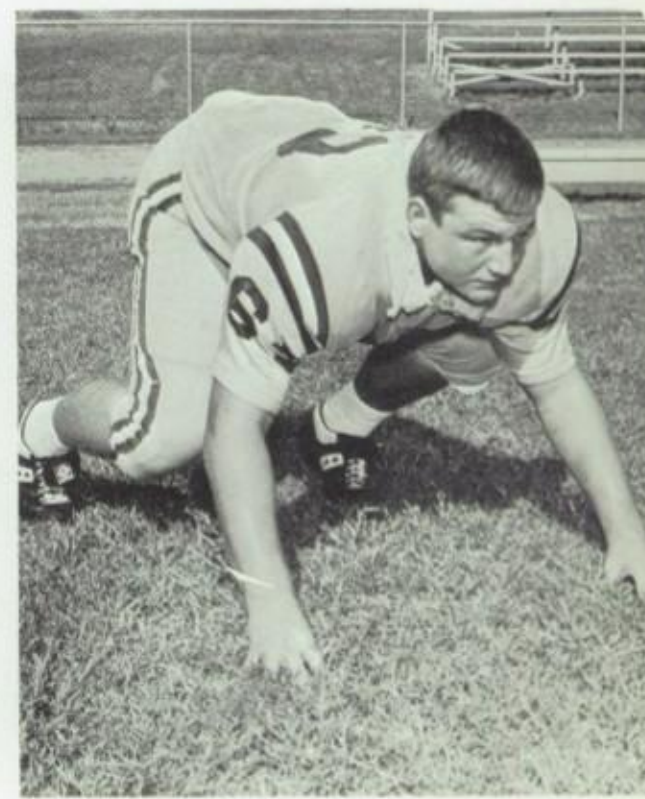
Operating under three types of formations, including the new Notre Dame Box, the old split T, and even the "shotgun" formation, Byrd's offense was plagued by four interceptions and three lost fumbles and never seemed to get rolling. Although the Yellow Jacket defense had its moments of glory, as when it held Neville from a score for four straight plays inside its own 15-yard line, it finally faded under the vicious Tiger attack. Scoring three tallies on the ground and striking for three more through the air, the eventual 7-AAA champions also connected on a field goal to add to the Byrdites misery. One of the bright spots of the night for the Jackets was the punting of Mike Swinney, who put the ball in the air eight times for an average of almost 37 yards per boot.



DICKIE GRIEDER—Sr.
Tackle—Letterman II



Picking up valuable yardage in the Yellow Jacket's defeat of Fair Park is John O'Hara, senior end.



MIKE SUMTER—Sr.
Tackle—Letterman II



ROY BURROUGHS—Sr.
Tailback—Letterman III



GARY BROWNLEE—Sr.
Guard—Letterman I

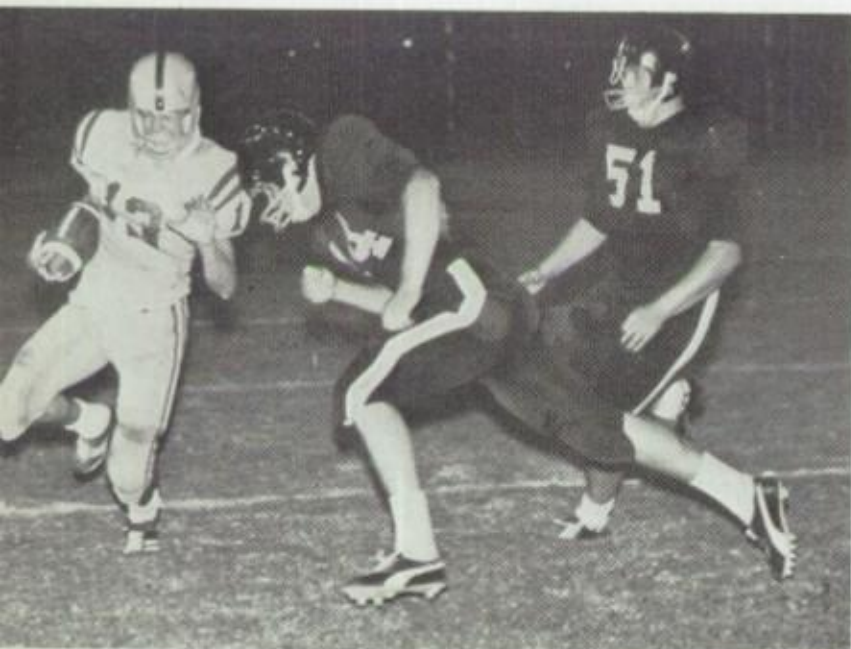


BILL PARKER—Sr.
Quarterback—Letterman II

BYRD Utilized New

BYRD 7

TEXARKANA 13

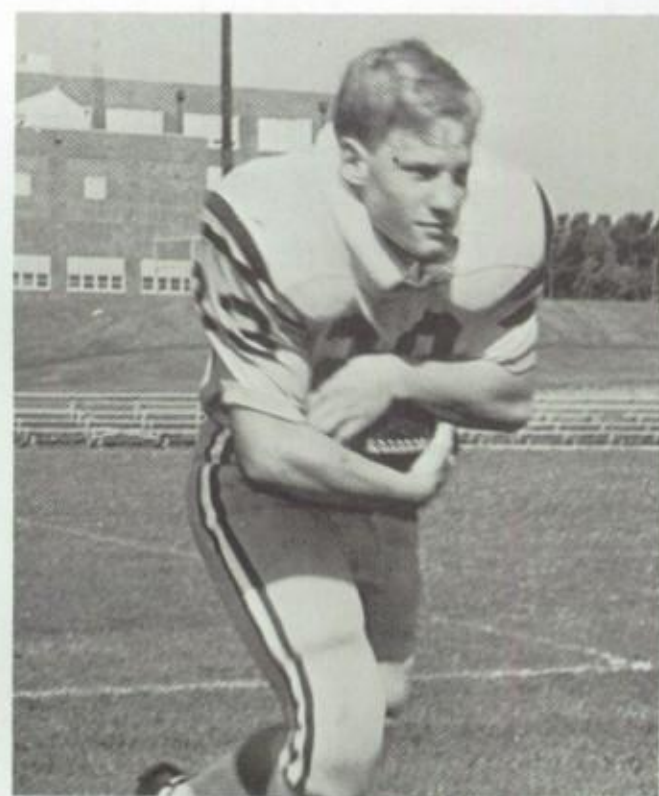


Showing great determination every inch of the way, Dickie Grieder rounded end for a first down in the annual Byrd-Fair Park fray.

Despite dominating almost every statistical department, the Byrdites were dealt a 13-7 defeat by the visiting Texarkana Razorbacks. The Yellow Jackets, obviously giving more than 100 per cent for new head Coach Jimmie Harrison, made three times as many first downs and piled up 100 yards more than the visiting Razorbacks. But it was to no avail as the Hogs recovered four errant Byrd fumbles on the way to their victory. The Porkers drew first blood as they pushed across a score in the first period and later added another in the final quarter. The Jackets came back to within six points on a Bill Parker to Roy Burroughs hookup and Randy West's successful conversion. But an unsuccessful onside kick-off by Byrd with two minutes left in the game sealed the Jacket's fate. Burroughs rambled for better than 100 yards rushing and was aided by Dickie Grieder's eight receptions on offense. Defensive standouts included Mike Sumpter, who recovered a valuable fumble, and Mike Judlin and Bill Morris, who combined for 18 enemy stops.



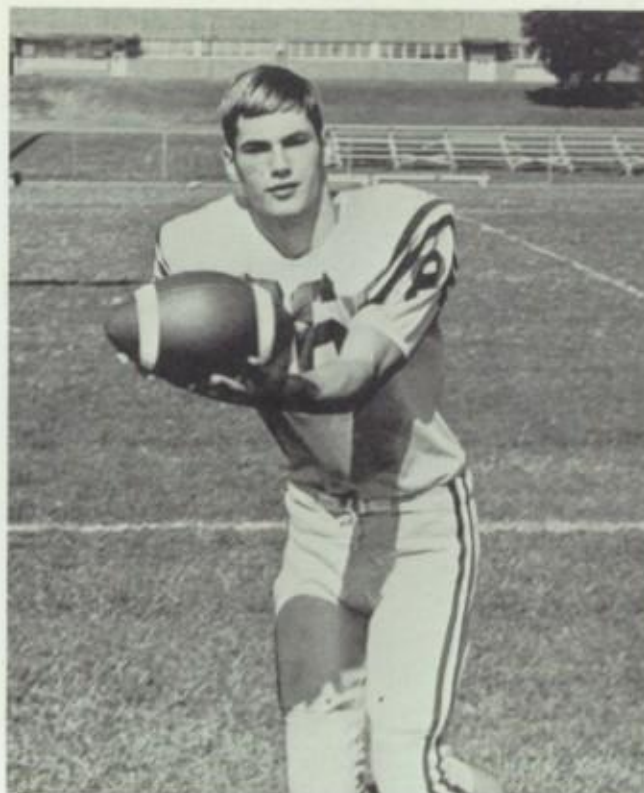
Coach Hamner led the team in prayer before a game in hopes that no one would be injured or hurt.



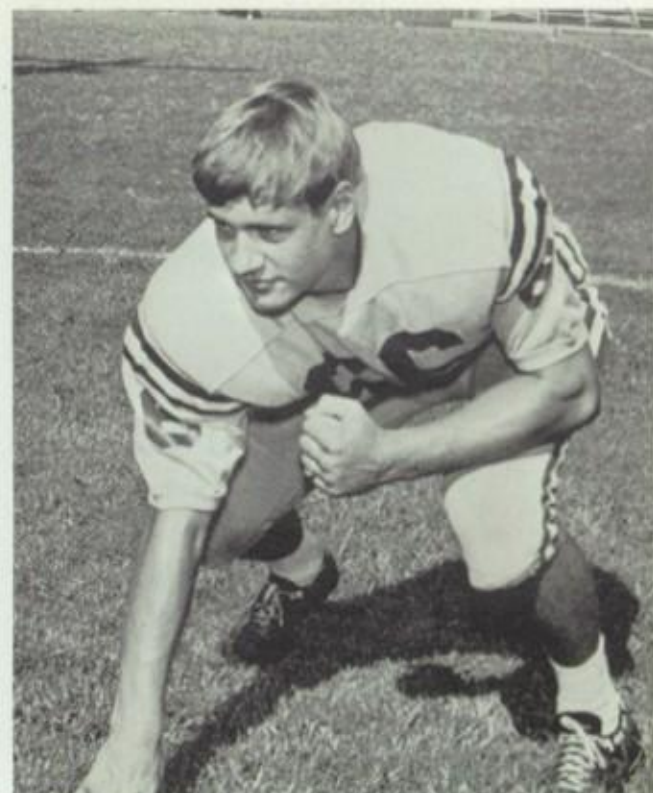
CRAIG FLOURNOY—Sr.
Blocking Back—Letterman I



MIKE JUDLIN—Sr.
Halfback—Letterman II



JIMMY BOYD—Sr.
End—Letterman I



TOM TEASLEY—Sr.
Guard—Letterman II

Offensive Formation

BYRD 6

JESUIT 13

If the score of the Yellow Jackets' loss to the Jesuit Blue Flyers looked close, it is only because the game was even more tightly fought. After they won the toss of the coin, the Byrd cleatmen took the opening kickoff and marched to their own 43 before they were forced to punt. Mike Swinney boomed a line-drive type kick and, when the Jesuit receiver tried to make a shoestring catch and fumbled the ball, Dickie Grieder recovered the pigskin on the Flyer 16 yard line. Four plays later, halfback Roy Burroughs rammed through the center of the line to score the only Byrd touchdown of the night and to give the Jackets a 6-0 lead. Although Jesuit came back to tie the score in the second quarter on a touchdown set up by a fumble recovery and eventually went ahead to stay on a third quarter tally, the Byrdmen were fighting them every inch of the way. Freddy Rosenblath played an excellent defensive game, being backed up by Roy Burroughs and Grieder.



Bill Parker lost the handle on the ball for just a second, but pounced on it and safely recovered the bobble in the Captain Shreve encounter.



TED MITCHELL—Sr.
Tackle—Letterman I



During the Woodlawn fray, Byrd's new rendition of the old "Notre Dame Box" formation went into action.



A host of Jackets converged on Captain Shreve quarterback Denny Duron as he attempted to sweep the right side of the Byrdites' defense.



BILL MORRIS—Sr.
Tackle—Letterman I

Injuries Plagued JACKETS

BYRD 0

BOSSIER 20

Byrd's hard-nosed defense, working overtime throughout the game, finally buckled under the repeated drives of the Bearkats' offense and fell to Bossier, 20-0. It took two fourth quarter touchdowns to ensure the 'Kat victory as the Byrdites stayed within at least seven points of them until near the end of the fray. The annual rudge match between the two arch-rivals was almost a standoff for the first three quarters as Bossier's only score came on a 72-yard pass play. A second-period fumble, recovered by Jacket tackle John Morgan, who played a fine game on defense, set up the Jacket's deepest penetration of the game at the Bossier 36. But a Bearkat interception two plays later killed the drive, and the Jackets had trouble moving on the rockhard enemy defense for the rest of the night. Two interceptions, one by John O'Hara and the other by Will McCrocklin, helped stave off the rugged Bearkats, but it was to no avail as Bossier gained its first victory over the Yellow Jackets in seven years.



Mike Judlin, Jacket halfback, stretched in vain for a pass thrown by Byrd signal caller Bill Parker against the Woodlawn Knights.



MIKE SWINNEY—Jr.
Guard—Letterman I



MIKE BOWDEN—Sr.
Blocking Back—Letterman I



LARRY ALFORD—Jr.
Wingback—Letterman I



MARTIN YARBOROUGH—Sr.
End—Letterman I



Senior guard Tom Teasley gave the victory sign as the Yellow Jackets scored the go-ahead touchdown over Fair Park to the approval of Towny Robinson and Gary Brownlee.

Early in Season



In preparation for the Neville game, Ted Mitchell was taped, a job handled by the capable Larry Larsen.

BYRD 6

AIRLINE 28

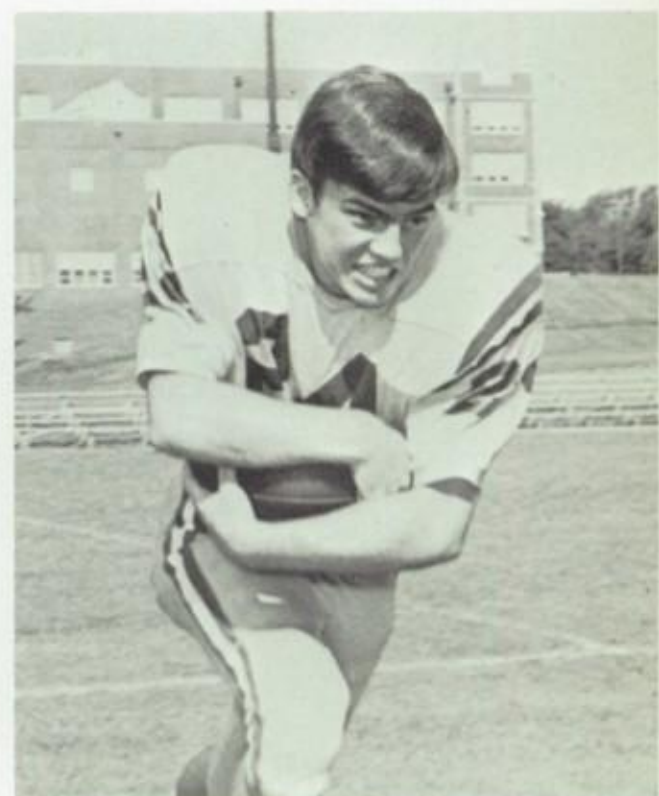
Although the Jacket cleatmen were able to stop Airline from mounting a sustained drive throughout their entire encounter, they seemed almost powerless to prevent the long touchdown as the Vikings struck swiftly and surely in registering a 28-6 decision over the Byrdites. Three of the Vikings' tallies covered more than 40 yards, and the fourth and final one came on a most unusual play in which an Airline defender simply stole the ball from the Byrd receiver on an Airline kickoff and raced for the touchdown. Four interceptions and two costly fumbles by the Jackets prevented them from pushing across a score until the third quarter, when Mike Judlin bulled his way over from the 1-yard line. The tandem of Bill Parker and Jere Overdyke did account for a lot of damage through the airways as Parker threw for over 190 yards with Overdyke hauling in 6 of his aerials. Mike Sumter, Towny Robinson, Mike Swinney, and Tom Teasley led the Jacket forward wall on defense.



CHRIS ANTHONY—Jr.
Guard—Letterman I



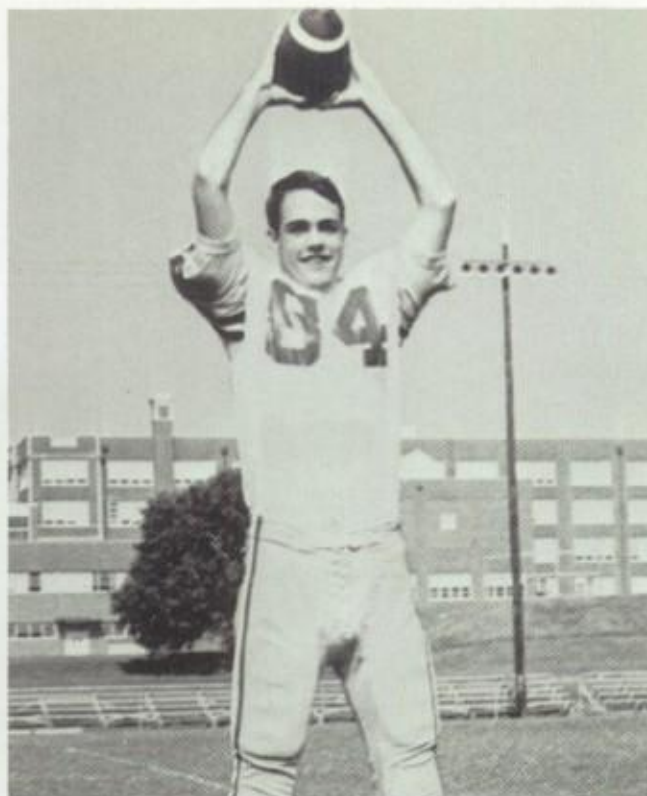
ROBERT MABRY—Sr.
End—Letterman I



SCOOTER SWANN—Jr.
Tailback—Letterman I



JOHN MORGAN—Jr.
Tackle—Letterman I



STEVE MIDDLETON—Jr.
End—Letterman I



JAMES BRADFORD—Jr.
Tackle—Letterman I

Lettering of 14 UNDERCLASSMEN

BYRD 7

For the first quarter and a half of the annual Woodlawn-Byrd fray, it appeared as though the Jacket gridders were on their way to pulling off the biggest upset of the prep football season. But it just wasn't to be so. Led by the brilliant passing of quarterback Joe Ferguson, the Knights simply overpowered the Yellow Jackets and took a 49-7 decision.

Aggressive rushing by the line, some good secondary work by the deep backs led by John O'Hara, and two tremendous punts by Mike Swinney and Roy Burroughs kept the Woodlawners bottled up until near the halfway mark of the second period. The Knights, eventual undefeated state champions, finally exploded for four touchdowns before the half ended and added three more tallies in the second half.

All was not gloom in the Jacket camp though. Bill Clark, a junior tailback, hit on all of his five passes for 56 yards and a touchdown as he fired a 5-yard scoring strike to Dickie Grieder for the Byrdites' lone touchdown of the night.

WOODLAWN 49



BILL CLARK—Jr.
Quarterback—Letterman I



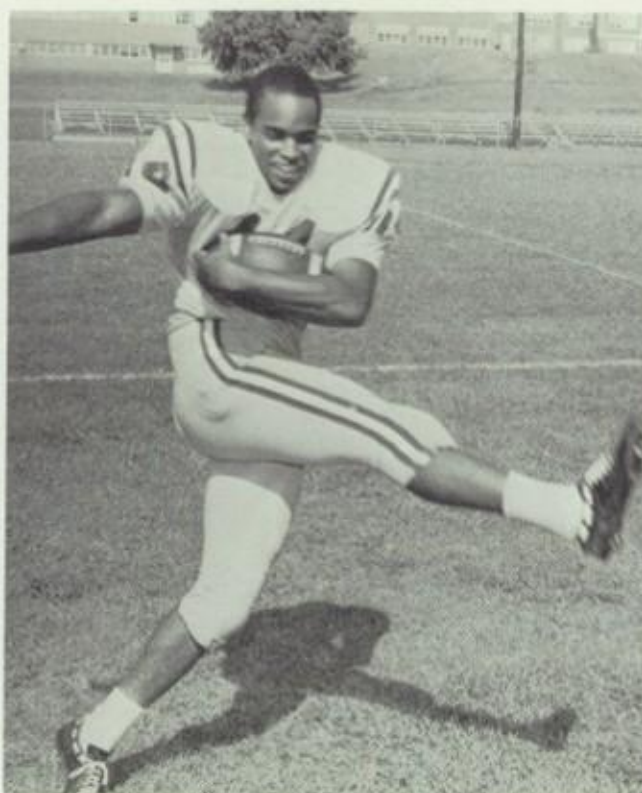
Preparing oneself is an essential part of every sport. Craig Flournoy readied himself in anticipation of the big "Go West" game with the Indians of Fair Park.



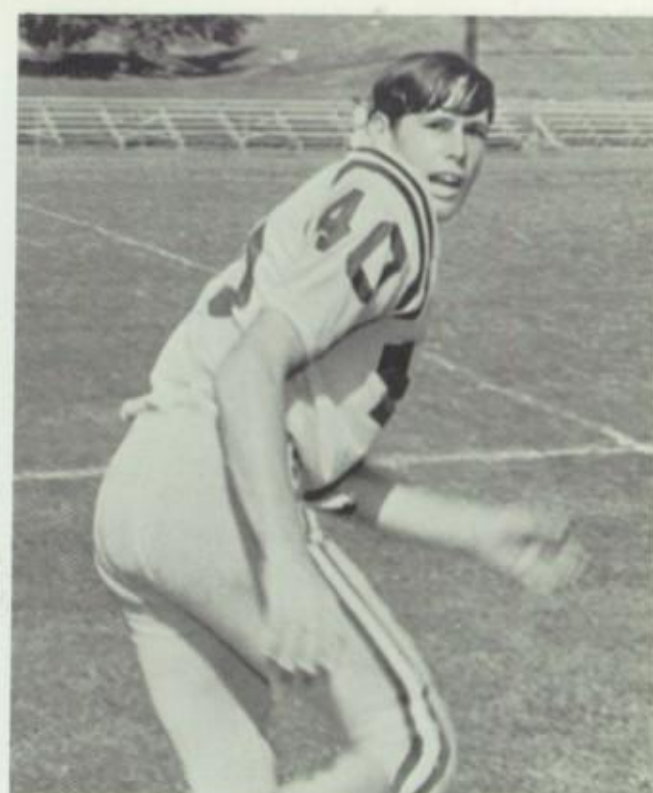
Slamming ahead for first down yardage was Jacket halfback Roy Burroughs as he displayed that winning desire against the Center Roughriders.



JOE DOVER—Soph.
Tackle—Squadman

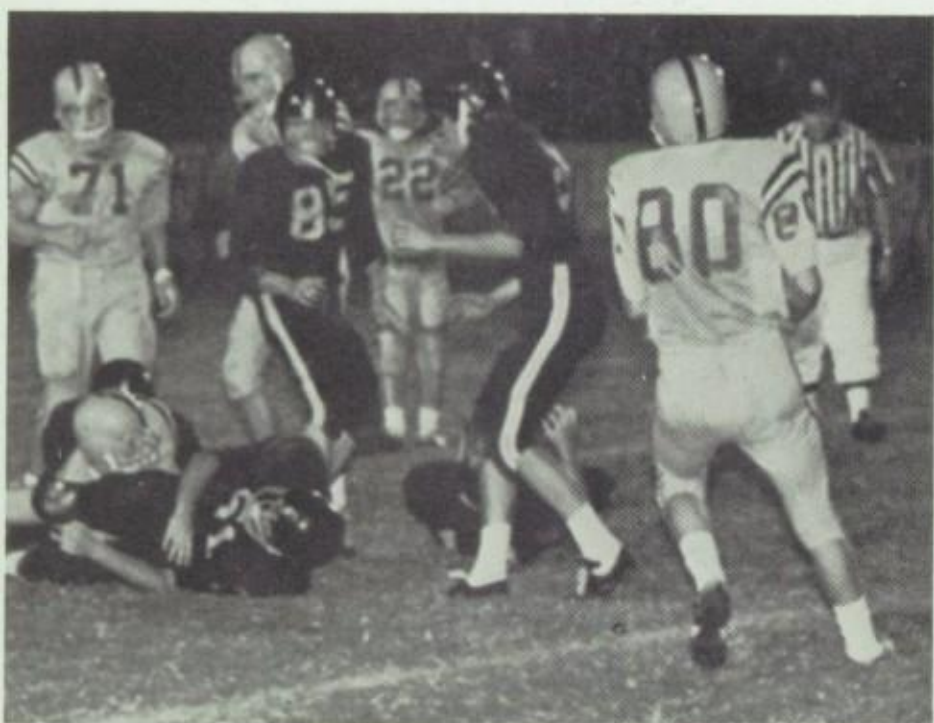


CHARLES THRASH—Jr.
Halfback—Letterman I



WILL McCROCKLIN—Soph.
End—Letterman I

Signals Bright Upcoming Year



Tom Teasley pounced on a costly fumble by the Fair Park Indians that set up a Jacket tally 2 plays later.

BYRD 21

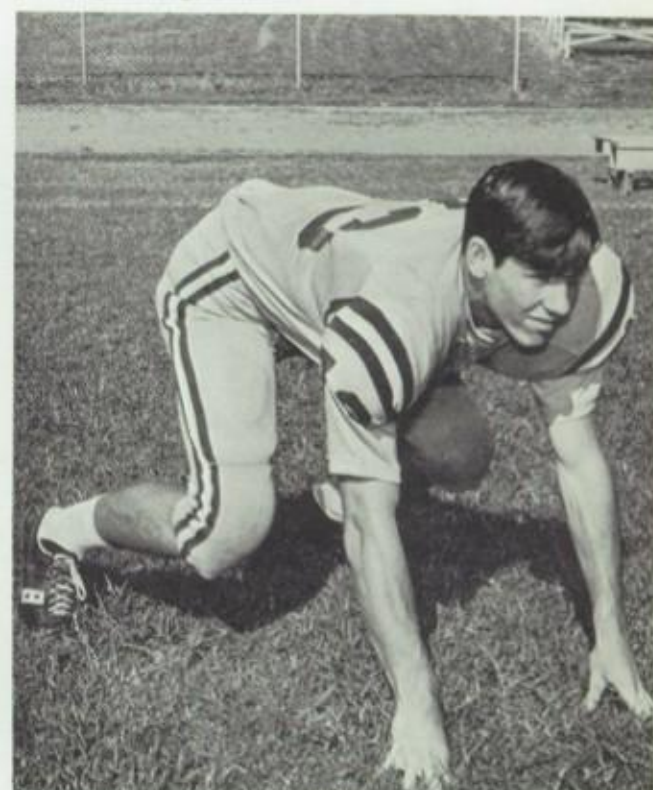
CENTER 6

Although the Yellow Jackets were unable to wrap Coach Harrison's present, he didn't seem to mind as the Byrdmen celebrated his birthday by spoiling Center's homecoming, 21-6.

After a scoreless first quarter, Byrd drew first blood on a 3-yard plunge by Mike Judlin, and Randy West boomed through the first of his three extra points to make the score 7-0. Tailback Bill Parker nailed Roy Burroughs with a 47-yard touchdown strike in the third period, and Parker went in on a 9-yard scamper in the final quarter to end the Jacket scoring. The Roughriders from Texas were unable to light up the scoreboard until after the Jacket scoring was completed, as the Byrd defense turned them back time and time again. Parker, who rambled for 94 yards, and Burroughs, who picked up 80 more, were the mainstays of the offense as they also completed all of the Jacket passes. Fine defensive performances were turned in by Freddy Rosenblath, who intercepted a pass and recovered a fumble, and juniors Scooter Swann and Robert Little, who played the finest games of their young careers.



Valuable knowledge and much enjoyment was gained through the use of the two-man blocking sled as evidenced here by two junior linemen.



WALTER HOLDER—Jr.
Tackle—Letterman I



TOM HAM—Jr.
Center—Squadman



Pre-game strategy and blackboard work were as important to the well-being of a team as practice on the field. Coach Harrison went through a "curl and go" pass pattern for the last time before leaving for a game.

'68 CLEATMEN Swept



A Fair Park Indian found the going tough against the stubborn Byrd defense as linebacker Mike Judlin came up to stop him for a gain of only 3 yards.

BYRD 0

CAPTAIN SHREVE 13

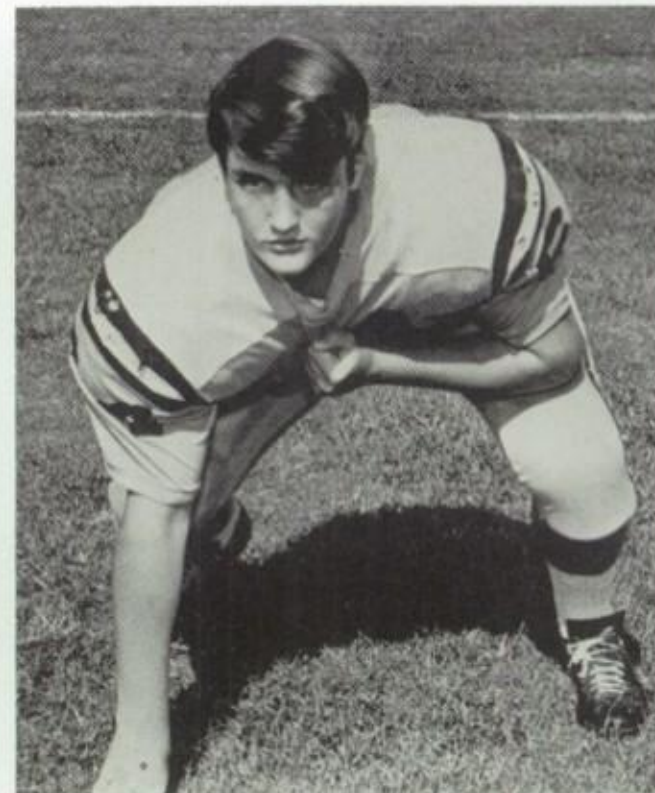
Held in check by the district's number one defense, the Jacket gridders fell to Captain Shreve by a score of 13-0. The Gators, who came into the game unscored upon in district play, kept their record intact as Byrd's offense simply could not get moving. Shreve struck for its first score in the initial canto and capitalized on a recovered Byrd bobble to push across another tally in the third period. An end-zone interception and another lost fumble stopped Byrd's two real threats of the game. A clipping penalty also erased Byrd's brightest spot of the night on offense. Junior Larry Alford electrified the crowd when he took a Gator punt at his own 30-yard line, skirted the enemy flanks, and raced 65 yards down the sidelines before being floored at his own five-yard line, but the clipping infraction erased it all. Jere Overdyke came up with an intercepted pass and Mike Sumter and Charles Thrash combined for 21 tackles to pace the stubborn Stinger defense.



DAVID ADAMS—Jr.
End—Squadman



RANDY WEST—Soph.
Kicker—Letterman I



HARRY CRAWFORD—Jr.
Tackle—Squadman



Jacket coaches and players alike took a well-deserved rest during one of the daily intrasquad games pitting Byrdite against Byrdite.



BILLY FRASER—Jr.
Halfback—Squadman

2 of Last 3 Games

BYRD 20

FAIR PARK 14

Jacket pride, determination, desire—it took all these ingredients for the Byrdites to come back and stun the Fair Park Indians by a score of 20-14 as they produced their finest game of the season. Although played on a cold, rainy night, it did not seem to bother the Stingers as they came from behind to “win the West” and avenge last year’s loss to the Indians.

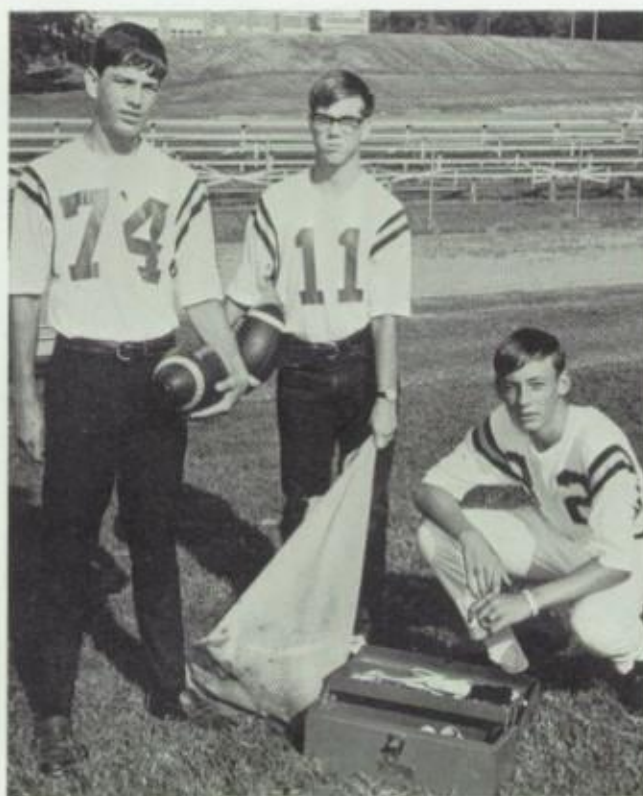
The Byrd gridders started the game off in fine fashion as Mike Judlin, who played an outstanding game offensively, cracked over from 11 yards out for the Jackets’ first score. When the Fair Parkers came back to tie the game, the Jacket footballers retaliated by striking for their second tally of the night on a 14-yard scamper by halfback Roy Burroughs. The Jackets held the lead until the final period when the Tribe pushed across another touchdown to go ahead, 14-13. Although there was less than 2 minutes left in the game, the ’68 cleats never lost hope as Dickie Grieder lofted a 59-yard scoring pass to Jere Overdyke for the winning score. Excellent blocking was provided by offensive stalwarts Freddy Rosenblath, Tom Teasley, Gary Brownlee, Towny Robinson, and Mike Bowden throughout the entire encounter. The determined Jacket defense was led by Mike Sumter, Burroughs, and Overdyke.



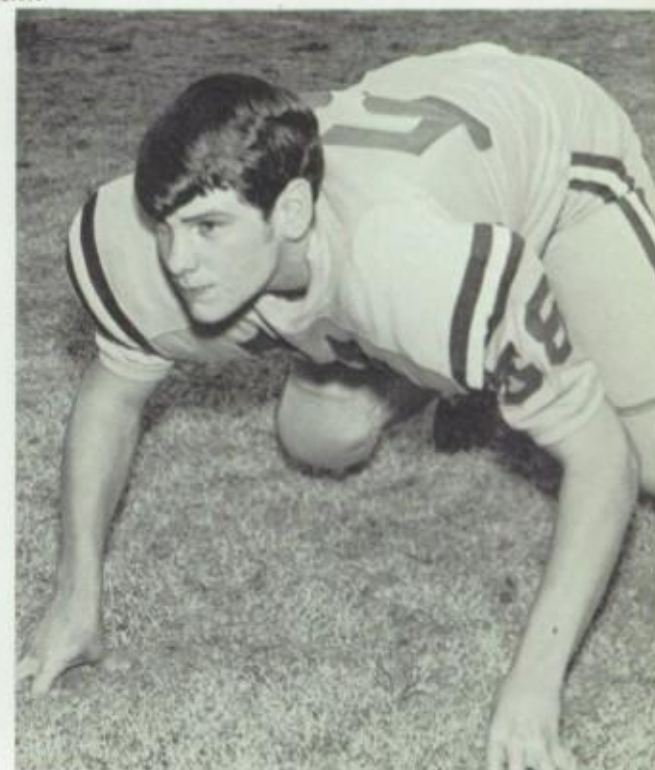
Senior Byrd griddler John O’Hara pulled down hard-charging Richard Hester as junior Mike Swinney came up to assist him.



JON CORDELL—Jr.
Center—Squadman



An integral part of this year’s Byrd football team were its managers, who kept the team running smoothly and efficiently. They were Cecil Scarbrough, Jimmy An-



WAYNE PHILEN—Soph.
Tackle—Letterman I



Elected by their teammates to serve as honorary co-captains were Dickie Grieder and Mike Sumter. Dickie garnered the Most Valuable Player and Best Defensive Back awards, while Mike was selected as the Best Defensive Lineman.

Others receiving honors were Towny Robinson, Best Offensive Lineman; Roy Burroughs, Best Offensive Back; and Bill Parker, Scholastic award.

HONORED SENIORS Set



TOWNY ROBINSON
All-District



MIKE SUMTER
All-City
All-District



JERE OVERDYKE
2nd Team All-District



FRED ROSENBLATH
All-City



Making up this year's Junior Varsity were, *Front row:* George Bienfang, Joe Dover, Tom Blansett, Mike Campbell, Albert McWilliams, Hubert Hunt. *Second row:* Jon Cordell, Mike Clark, Chris Anthony, Steve Middleton, Walter Holder, Rusty Brinkman, Will McCrocklin. *Third row:* Lucian Blansett, David Lyles, Charles Thrash, Larry Thomas, Larry Alford, Tommy Ham, Tommy Palmer. *Fourth row:* Randy West, Billy Fraser, Bill Clark, James Bradford, David Adams, Harry Crawford, Gary Moore.

Patterns for Junior Jackets

"Desire" was the byword for this year's Junior Jackets. Although shorthanded in terms of players, the "Bees" developed themselves into a smooth, efficient unit by way of many hours of work and practice. Guided by Coaches Gene Hamner, Larry Rambin, and Jerrold McLaurin, the Junior Varsity opened the season with a close loss to Plain Dealing before coming back to bowl over a powerful Airline team. Slowed down by a tie with Cotton Valley, the "Bees" followed this up by topping Captain Shreve, the highlight of the year, before dropping the season finale to the Fair Park Papooses. Outstanding for the '68 Junior Jackets were Robert Little, Larry Thomas, Will McCrocklin, Charles Thrash, and Bill Clark.

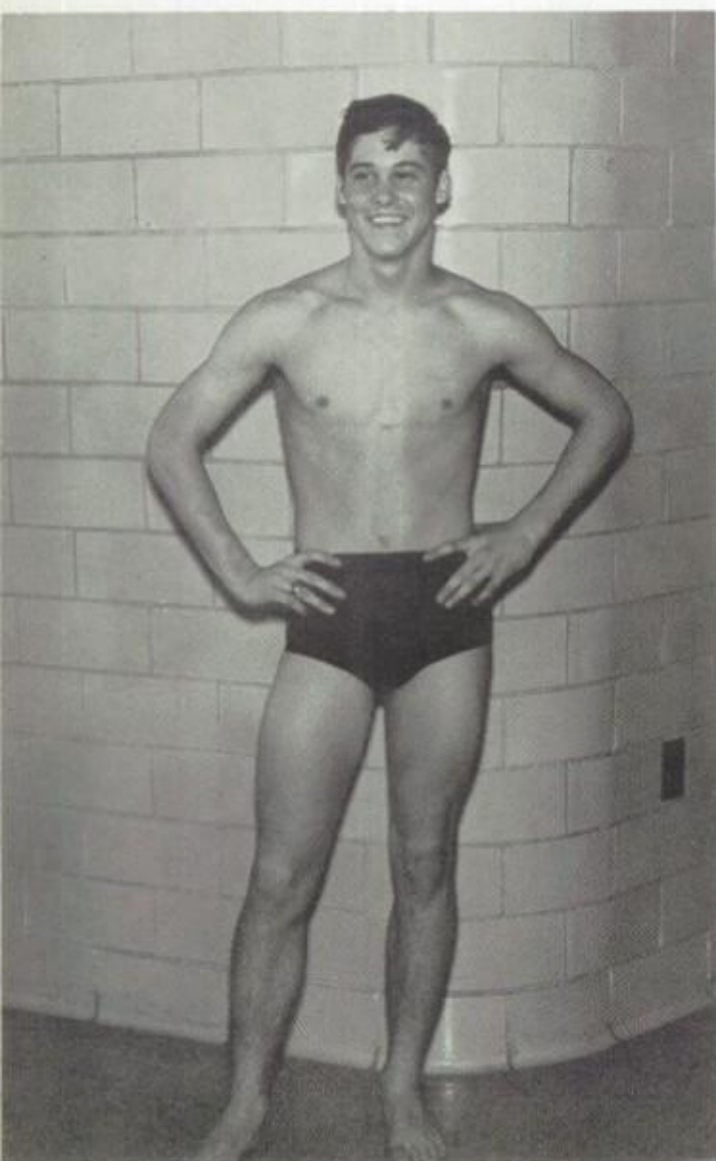


Congregating at the front gate of the Byrd field for one last meeting, the "Bees" prepared to go into action against the Woodlawn Squires in an important "B" game.

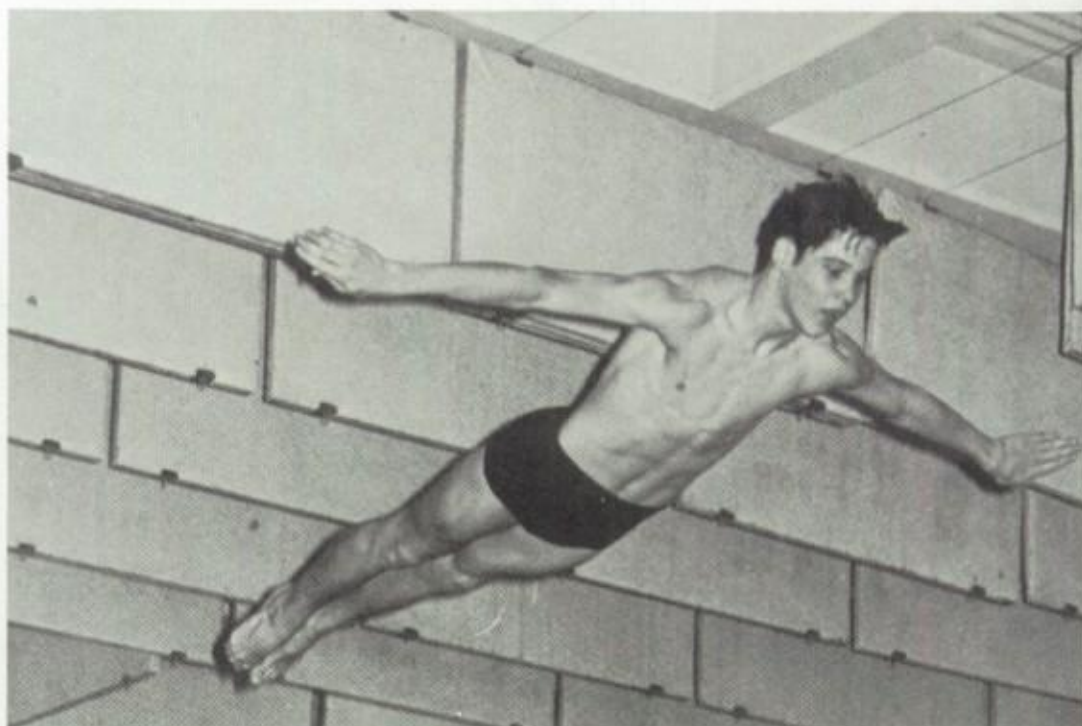


End David Adams hauled in an aerial thrown by Bill Clark as he picked up 15 yards for the Junior Jackets enroute to a victory over Airline.

Byrd Represented at Indiana Diving School



ALAN ROSS—Senior
Letterman II



Showing expert form, Alan Ross demonstrates the Swan dive.

Alan Ross, the only remaining member of the swim team, supported the school through his diving while practicing two nights a week at the Y.M.C.A. Alan attended meets in Dallas and others on the national level. During the summer, he took an active part in various competition and also attended a diving school in Indiana.

Through his diving skill he possibly may receive a scholarship from Indiana. To further his knowledge in these skills, Alan attended the Olympics in Mexico to watch the diving trials. To cap the summer he dove in the nationals at Houston where he accumulated an impressive member of point ratings.

"Jacket Spirit is never going to die!!!"
Numerous fans kept supporting the team
even through defeat.



Pulling into the lead in the 880 run, Dickie Grieder repeated his usual performance—winning.



Sophomore, Will McCrocklin, turned the corner for a victory against Airline in a "B" game.



Coaches Gene Hamner and Larry Rambin contributed their support to the team by helping with concessions.

1969 — Keep on Keeping on



Catcher Robert Mabry chanted to pitcher Perry Peyton while Byrd edged Woodlawn.



Loyal fans handed their tickets to Major Cyrus Lamoyeaux at the door of the Byrd Gym.



John Payne received the ball from a teammate. John went on to break a school record by scoring forty points.

To help revive the team spirits, the Junior Pep Squad hosted a party for the players.



JACKETS Had



HEAD COACH LARRY KALDEN

Byrd's 1969 track team accepted its first defeat in a district meet in sixteen years. Although the trackmen could not take first in a single meet, the team never finished below third in any competition, including the district meet.

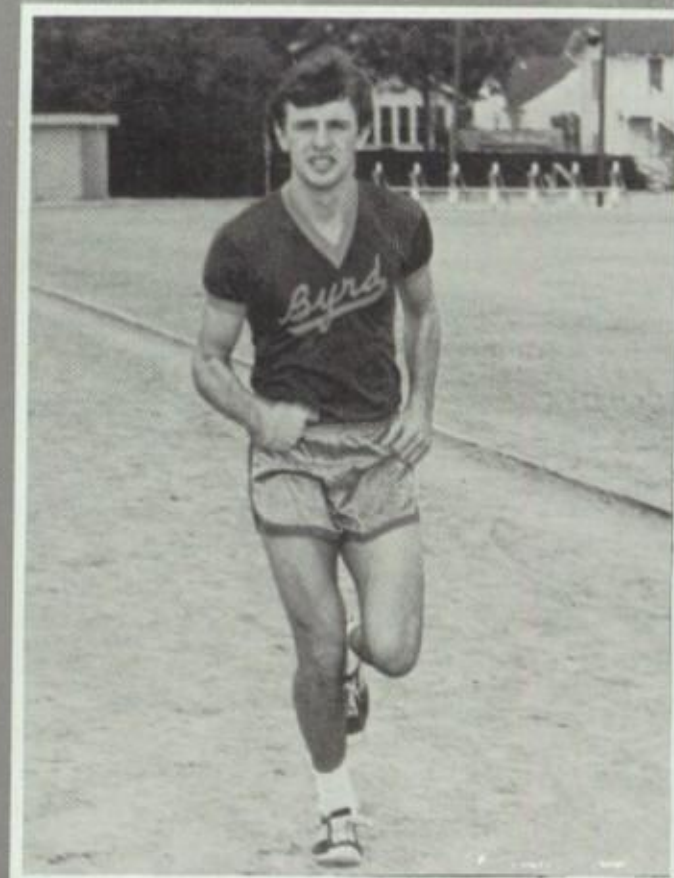
Dickie Griender turned in a near perfect record in the 880-run, being defeated only once by Fair Park's John McKinnon.

Byrd's relay teams had an outstanding record for the season, placing first or second in almost all meets.

Returning with experience to bolster the team were John O'Hara, Gerald Goins, Bill Clark, Ted Mitchell, and Mike Rasberry.



Mike Rasberry let go a mighty heave in a practice session before the first Track Meet.



JOHN O'HARA—Sr.
Letterman III

Five Returning Lettermen



John Magee soared through the air in the City Meet held at the Byrd oval.



DICKIE GRIEDER
Letterman III

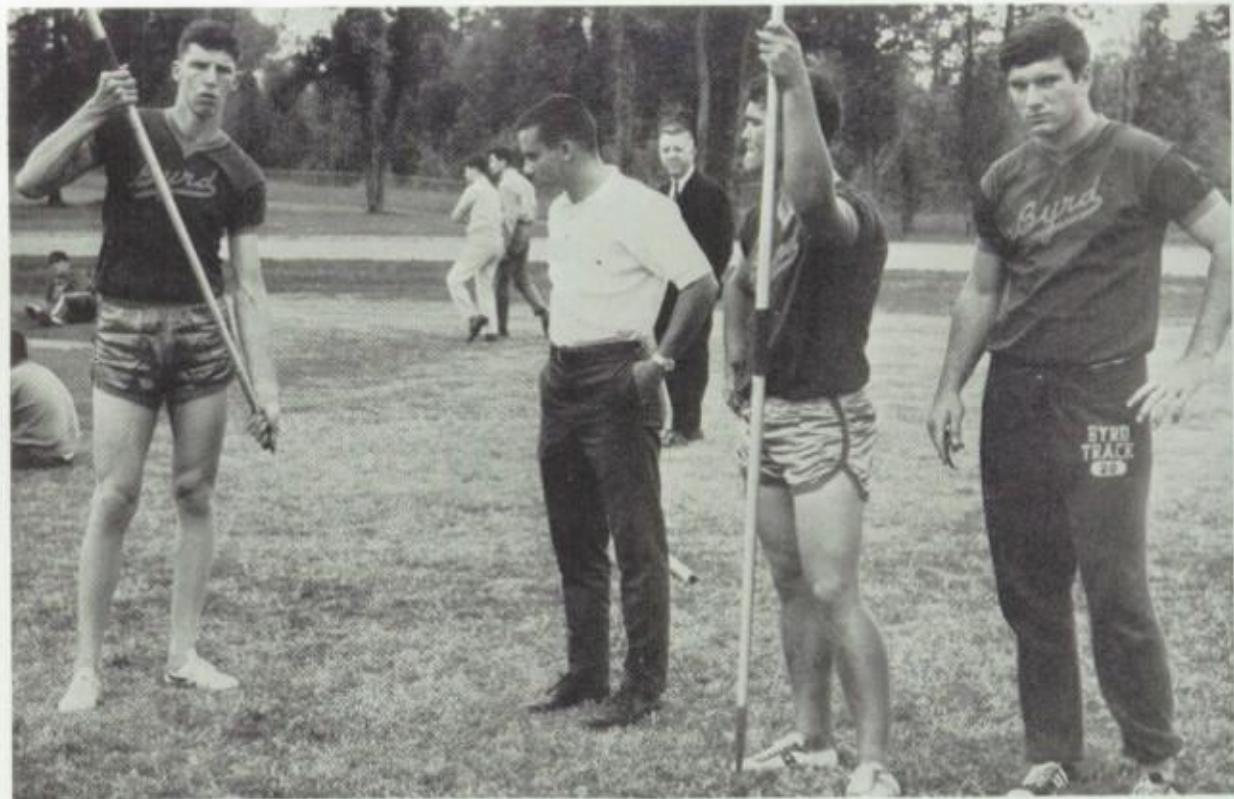


Jacket runners, Paul Watson, Wayne Moore, Richard Leber, and Gary Moore, "took off" in a race held between members of the team in a practice session.

TRACKSTERS Placed



GERALD GOINS—Sr.
Letterman III



Mike Rasberry, Jon Snelling, and Towny Robinson prepare for their upcoming field events in a meet held at Woodlawn.



Dickie Grieder and Bill Clark awaited their turn with the baton in the mile relay in a meet held at Captain Shreve Stadium.

SHREVEPORT RELAYS

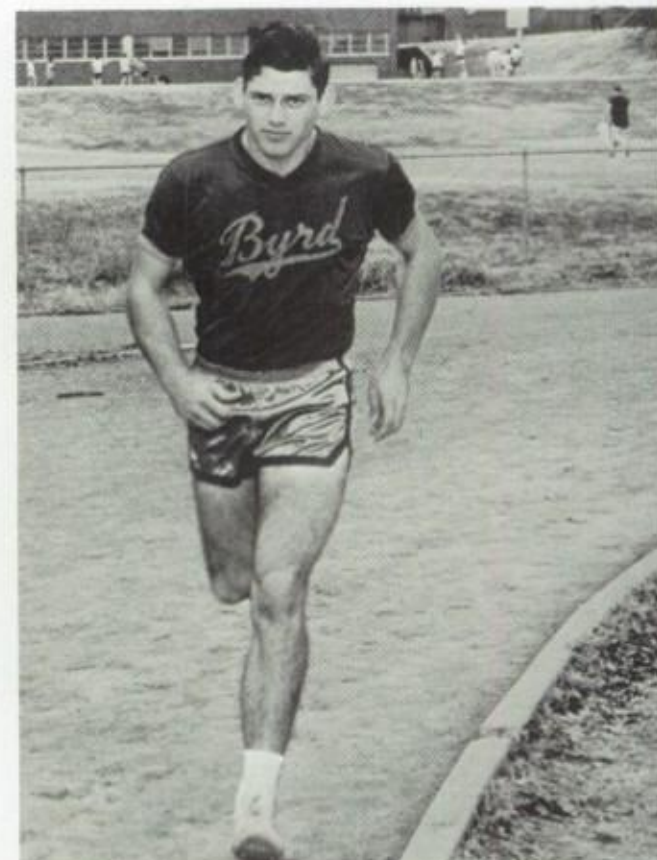
Opening the year on their own track, the Jacket Cinder-men placed second behind a powerful Fair Park team.

Strong competitors for Byrd included Dickie Grieder, first in 880, John O'Hara, first in 440, and Mike Rasberry, second in the triple jump. Gerald Goins placed third in shot put, while Towney Robinson placed fourth in discus.

Byrd took second in both the 880-relay and the mile-relay with teams made up of Kevin Able, John O'Hara, Mickey Hodson, Dee Cooper, and Dickie Grieder.



Members of the track team rested before the start of a meet held at Fair Park



TED MITCHELL—Sr.
Letterman I

Third in District



Kevin Abel and Billy Hyde prepare themselves for the beginning of the 100-yard dash.



MIKE RASBERRY—Sr.
Letterman II

CITY MEET

Firsts in both the 880 and mile relay helped pace Byrd to a third place finish in the City Track Championship. The 880-relay, the first running event of the day, was won by a team made up of Dee Cooper, John O'Hara, Kevin Abel, and Mickey Hodson, and was followed by the mile team using the same quartet, replacing Abel with Dickie Grieder.

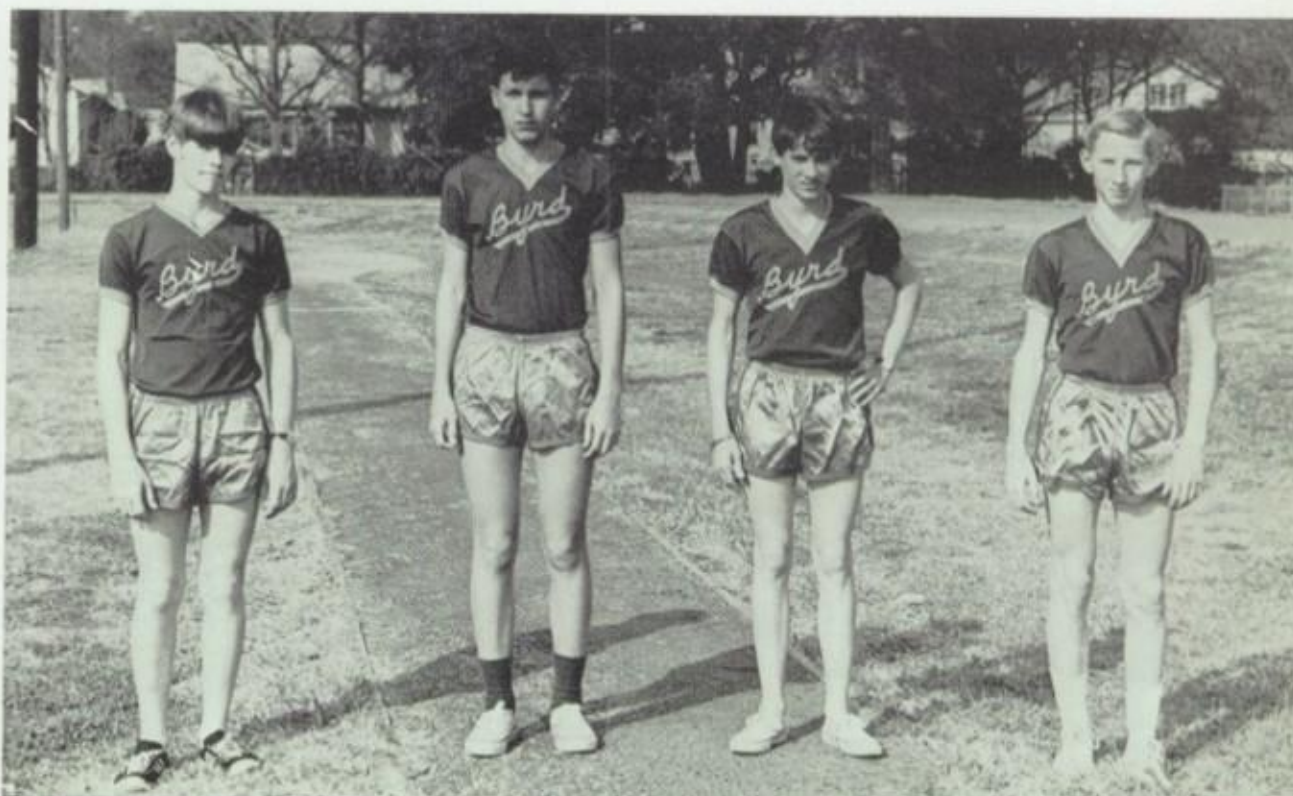
Two other firsts were won by the Jackets, with Grieder taking first in the 880-run, and O'Hara first in the 440-run. Besides these, Byrd had a second in the shot put, taken by Gerald Goins, and a fifth in the triple jump, taken by Mike Rasberry.



John O'Hara breaks from the starting block in the 440-yard run in the Gator Relays.



BILLY HYDE—Sr.
Letterman I



This year's Broad Jumpers include Alan Murphy, Ronnie Feducia, John McBride, and Mike Malec.

Woodrow Turner Honored



Dickie Grieder led everyone after the first lap of the 880-yard run. Grieder won the 880 in every meet except the Woodlawn Relays.



JOHN PAYNE—Sr.
Letterman II

INDIAN RELAYS

Byrd's thinclads finished third in the Indian Relays, as Woodlawn upset the Indians in a meet dedicated to former Byrd track coach, Woodrow Turner.

Byrd got an unexpected 1-2 finish in the shot p as Gerald Goins heaved the shot with 47-11½. Dickie Grieder won the 880-run and came from behind to help the mile relay team made up of Dee Cooper, Mickey Hodson, John O'Hara and Grieder finish first.

Other Jacket point getters were Towny Robinson, third in discus, and O'Hara, second in the 440 dash. Byrd also had a second in the 880-relay as the team of Dee Cooper, John O'Hara, Kevin Abel, and Mickey Hodson ran a strong race.



JOHN MAGEE—Jr.
Letterman I



Middle distance runners for this year are Paul Watson, Wayne Moore, Richard Leber and Gary Moore.

at Indian Relays



BILL CLARK—Jr.
Letterman II



Bob Murphy and Kevin Abel gave it all they had in the 100-yard dash in the City Meet.

BOSSIER MEET

Strong help from Mickey Hodson, Phil O'Bryant, and Dickie Grieder pushed the Jackets to a second behind Woodlawn in the Bossier meet. O'Bryant was a double winner, taking first in both the 120-high hurdles and the 180-low hurdles. Hodson placed first in the 440-dash, although teammate John O'Hara pulled a muscle at the start. Grieder kept a perfect string going when he won the 880-run.

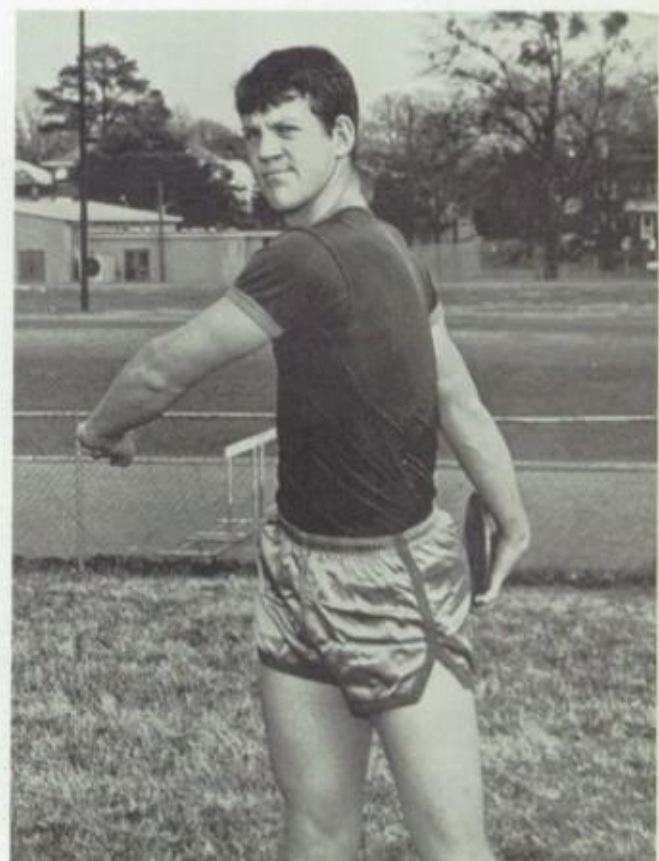
The Byrd spikemen also finished second in the 880-relay, second in the mile relay, and third in the 440-relay. Other trackmen adding to the Jacket showing were Gerald Goins, Towny Robinson, and Mike Rasberry.



Jon Snelling prepared to heave the shot in the Captain Shreve meet.



The Manager fixed the starting block for Bob Murphy in preparation for the 100-yard dash.



JIMMY TRICHEL—Jr.
Squadman

CINDERMEN Swept Relays



WALTER HOLDER—Jr.
Squadman



Jon Snelling gave the javelin a mighty toss in a meet of Captain Shreve Stadium.

WOODLAWN RELAYS

Byrd's relay teams again turned in a fine showing in their events to help the Jackets to a third place tie with Fair Park in the Woodlawn Relays. The 880, mile, and 440 relay teams placed second, third and fourth respectively in their events with teams made up of Dickie Grieder, Dee Cooper, John O'Hara, Kevin Abel, and Micky Hodson.

Phil O'Bryant placed first in the 120-high hurdles, and second in the 130-low hurdles while teammate Grieder was being dealt his first and only defeat in the 880-run in this district. Gerald Goins placed third in shot put to round out the Byrd scoring.



David Esslinger took off in the first leg of the 440-relay.



Don Stone, Joe Quinn, and Bill Abbitt headed for the home stretch in a cross country meet.



JOHN MORGAN—Jr.
Squadman

in City Meet



Dee Cooper, John O'Hara, Dickie Grieder, and John Payne made up our 880-yard relay team for this year.

CAPTAIN SHREVE

Phil O'Bryant and Gary Prudhomme, of Class C Pelican High, tied for the best time this season in the 120-high hurdles as Byrd finished second in the Gator Relays.

O'Bryant also won the low hurdles while teammate Dickie Grieder got back into winning ways in the 880-run.

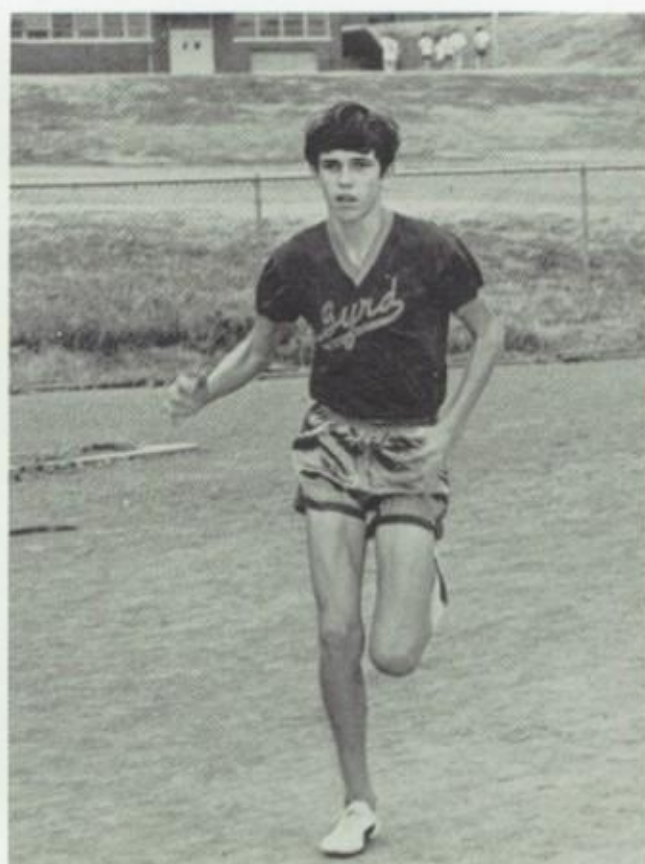
In the relays Byrd placed first in the mile and second in the 880 and 440-yard relays. Individuals adding valuable points to the Jacket showing were Mike Rasberry, third in the 120-high hurdles, Gerald Goins, fourth in the shot put, Towney Robinson and Jimmy Trichel, fourth and fifth in discus respectively, John Payne, fourth in the 440-yard dash, Bill Clark, fourth in the 880-yard run, and Joe Quinn, fifth in the mile run.



Dickie Grieder finished first again in the 880-run in the District Meet in Monroe.



JOE WOLFINGER—Soph.
Squadman



BOBBY BAGLEY—Soph.
Squadman



WYATT LIGHTFOOT—Soph.
Squadman



This year's milers were Collins Nix, Dave Ginsburg, Don Stone, Allen Gaines, Craig Sheppert, Leighton Warren.

Two JACKETS Attended State Meet

DISTRICT MEET

For the first time in sixteen years, the Jacket track team failed to win the District 1-AAA title. Byrd had a better showing than predicted, as Shreveport teams swept first, second, and third places.

Phil O'Bryant and Dickie Grieder repeated their usual performances as O'Bryant placed first in the 120-high hurdles, and second in the 180-low hurdles, while Grieder again won the 880-run.

The Jacket relay teams came through again as they placed third in both the mile and 880-relays. The two teams were made up of only five different members, with three—John O'Hara, Dee Cooper, and Kevin Abel on both teams and Grieder in the mile team and Mickey Hodson on the 880-relay team.

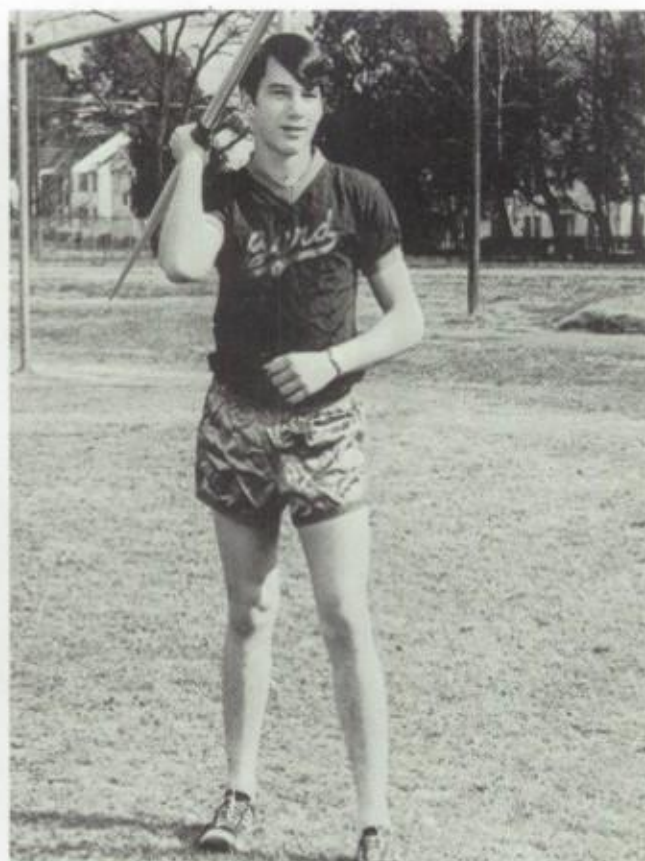
STATE MEET

In 1968, the State High School Track Meet was held in Baton Rouge, at Lee High School. Byrd's team sent two of its members to a meet hindered and postponed for three days because of heavy rain. Those qualifying were Dickie Grieder in the 880-yard run, and Phil O'Bryant in the 120-high hurdles.

While O'Bryant failed to place, Grieder took fourth in his event, the 880-run.



ALAN MURPHY—Soph.
Squadman



CHARLIE FISHER—Soph.
Squadman



MIKE MALEC—Soph.
Squadman

CROSS COUNTRY TEAM Showed Great Desire



This year's Cross Country team was made up of *Front row*: Steve Hall, Bob Bagley, Craig Sheppert, and Rich Leber. *Second row*: Wayne Moore, Don Stone, Allen Gaines, and Dave Ginsburg.

This year's Cross Country team made strong showings in the few meets held this year. Although the team was small, the material was of high quality and worked hard in workouts. The team had an outstanding member in Don Stone, and many showed promise for the future—these being Craig Sheppert, Bobby Baggle, Steve Hall, Rich Leber, and Wayne Moore.

Even though Cross Country is a minor sport, its main purpose is to prepare its participants for the oncoming track season. For this reason it has become a very popular activity in recent years, and many times is suggested by the coach for outstanding tracksters, as well as those who wish to improve themselves before the beginning of regular track season.



Don Stone came in far ahead of the pack in a Cross Country meet held at the Byrd Oval.

Byrd's Cross Country team started on a warm up lap before the Jacket Meet. This was one of only three meets held during the 1968 season. Of these three meets, Byrd placed second overall.



Jacket Spirit Tried to nth Degree

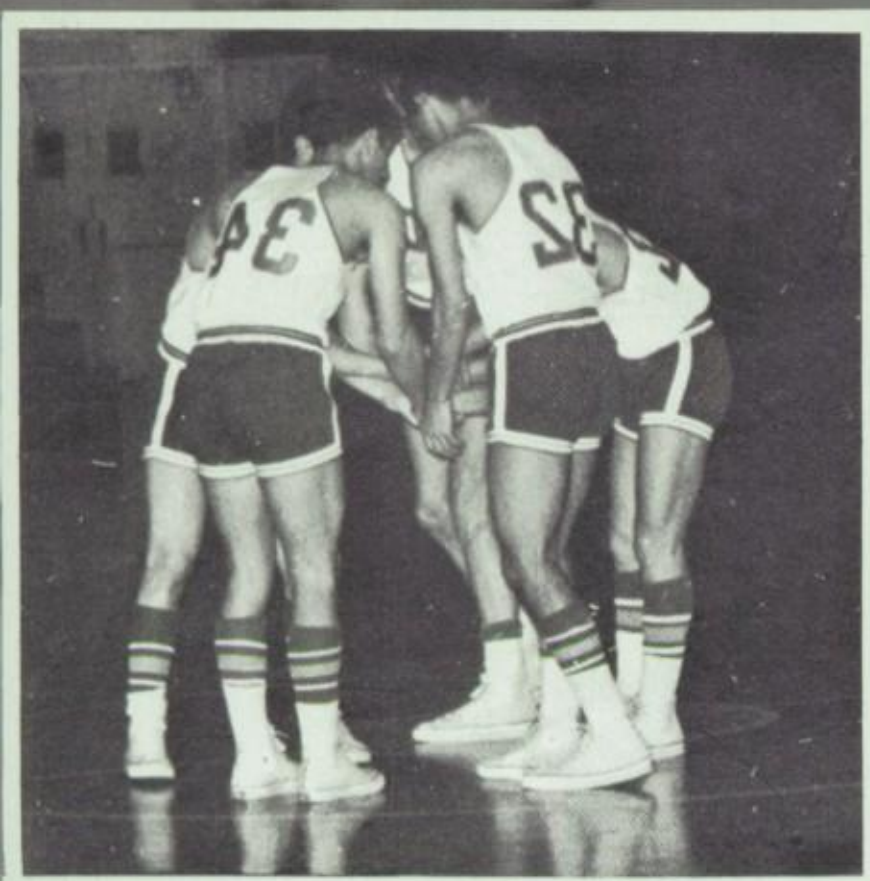
Courage and pride were put on the line for the 1968-69 basketball season as the Yellow Jackets finished a long, hard season with an overall record of 7-18. With the services of only one returning letterman, John Payne, Coach John Rogers had to start a somewhat inexperienced team, after much deliberation. After losing four out of their first six games, the fighting Jackets seemingly caught fire as they crushed three strong teams in a row with excellent team work.

Unfortunately, victories for Byrd were soon to be scarce, and the spirit and pride of the spectators and the players were tried to their greatest degree and never failed. Towards the end of the season, Junior members of the team were given an opportunity to play more. The season did produce the district's third leading scorer in John Payne, with a per-game average of 19.8 points, who was also chosen on All-City selection.

Bill McCutchen, Perry Peyton, Don Birklebach, Orie Hunter, Rusty Simmons, Jere Overdyke, Mike Rasberry, John Payne, Al Hand, Gene Hatcher, Roy Burroughs, Dickie Grieder, Raymond King.



and Showed Its True Form



Preceding the start of the Westlake game, which saw Byrd take an 83-62 victory, the starting line-up met at mid-court and "psyched" each other into a win.



Head Basketball Coach
JOHN ROGERS

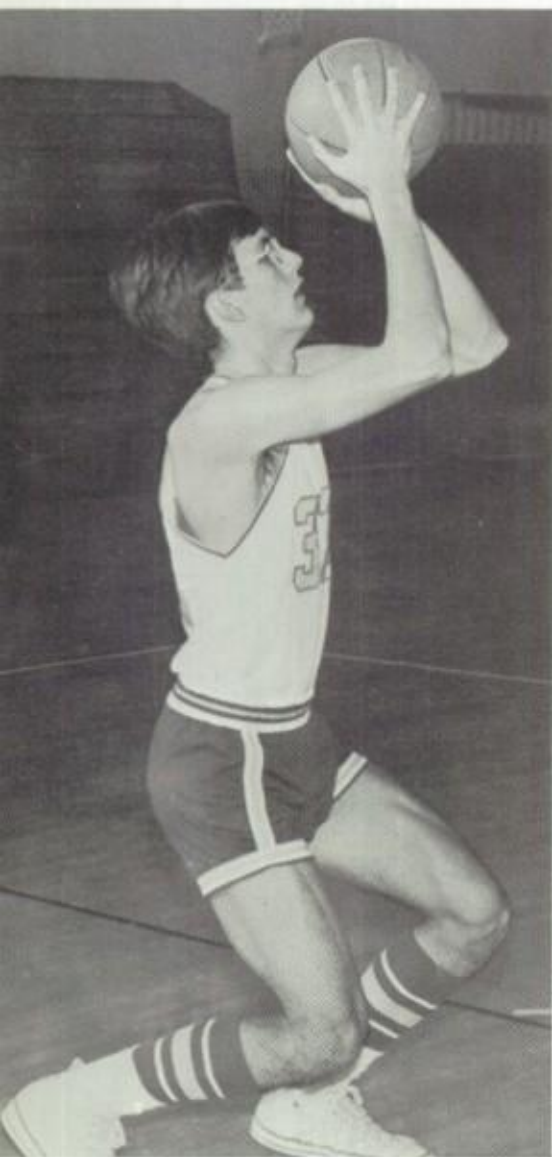
Trainers Mike Clark, Yourie Dozier, and Rickey Maddox held the responsibility of keeping the players in playing condition.



Responsible for the equipment were Mike Bankston, Mike Harrell and Leslie Tanner.



Jackets Got Off



JOHN PAYNE—Sr.
Letterman II
All City

BYRD 50

HAUGHTON 61

Fighting from behind the entire game, Byrd was unable to produce its first victory of the 1968-69 season. In the 61-50 loss to Haughton, Byrd did not score until three and a half minutes had elapsed, when John Payne hit on a jump shot. Payne led the way for the Jackets with 19 points, followed by Dickie Grieder with 17 points. Fine performances were also seen by Chuck Wallace, Mike Rasberry, and Jere Overdyke.

BYRD 61

NORTH CADDO 44

Byrd was victorious in its first home game, beating North Caddo 61-44. The Jackets outscored the Rebels in all four quarters and were tied only once during the game by North Caddo. John Payne led the scoring with 24 points, and Jere Overdyke had 14. Chuck Wallace was high rebounder for the game with 12 caroms.

DICKIE GRIEDER—Sr.
Letterman I



Chuck Wallace outjumped a team of Northwood players for a rebound while Jere Overdyke assisted in a 91-75 victory.

to a Slow Start

BYRD 56

In a game marred by fouls, Natchitoches pulled off a 81-56 win over the hard fighting Jackets. The first quarter saw Byrd working over the Devil defense, and John Payne was the target for numerous fouls as he went-up for shots. The second period proved to be cold for the Jackets, as they were outscored by 13 points. The last two quarters saw three Jacket men foul-out, and the Natchitoches team go beyond reach. Payne had 19 points, Mike Rasberry had 13, and Jere Overdyke had 6.

NATCHITOCHES 81

BYRD 66

Holding off a last half come-back, Byrd whipped the Minden Crimson Tide 66-64. Halftime saw the Jackets leading by 7 points, but by the end of the third quarter, the Jackets held only a 2 point lead, 52-50. Jere Overdyke was the stand-out Jacket of the evening with 17 points and 10 rebounds. Chuck Wallace matched Jere's 10 rebounds, while Dickie Grieder and John Payne added 15 and 14 points respectively.

MINDEN 64



JERE OVERDYKE—Sr.
Letterman I



John Payne drove in for two more points in Byrd's 66-64 victory over Minden.



During a time-out in the Natchitoches game, the team gathered around Coach Rogers to relax and pick-up some pointers.

Byrd Evened Season

BYRD 38

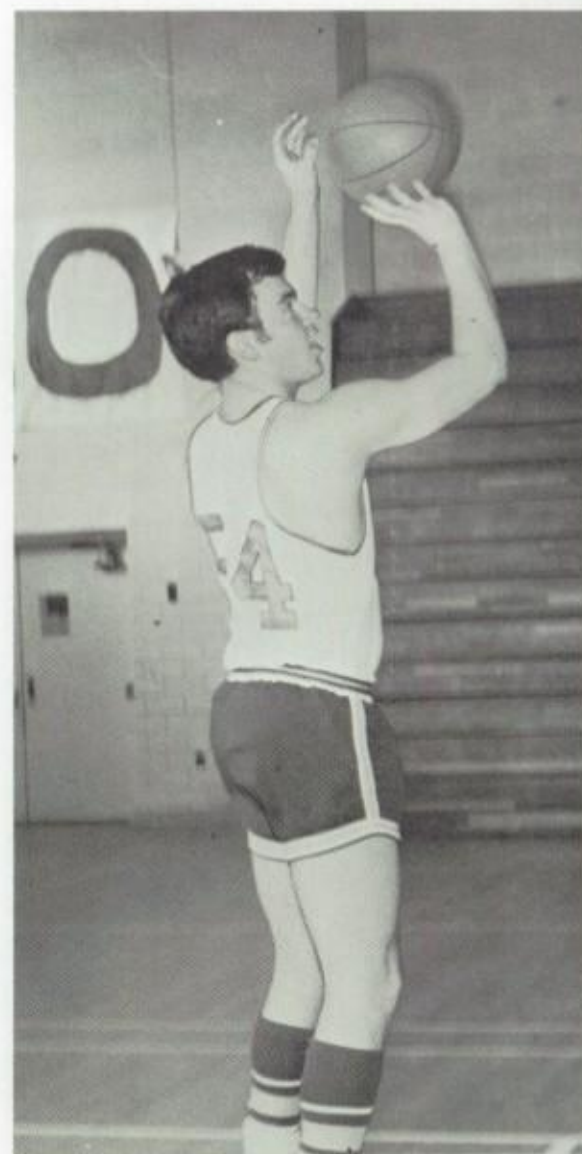
In an effort to overcome the cold-shooting of his Jacket team, Coach John Rogers used a total of 13 players in the 72-38 loss to Ruston. Upon solving the Byrd defenses, the Bearcats ran-up 10 straight points in the first quarter to make it 13-7. The Byrdmen were unable to overcome the hot-shooting of the Bearcats. In their effort for a victory, John Payne collected 9 points, Don Birkelbach 8, and Al Hand 7.

RUSTON 72

BYRD 63

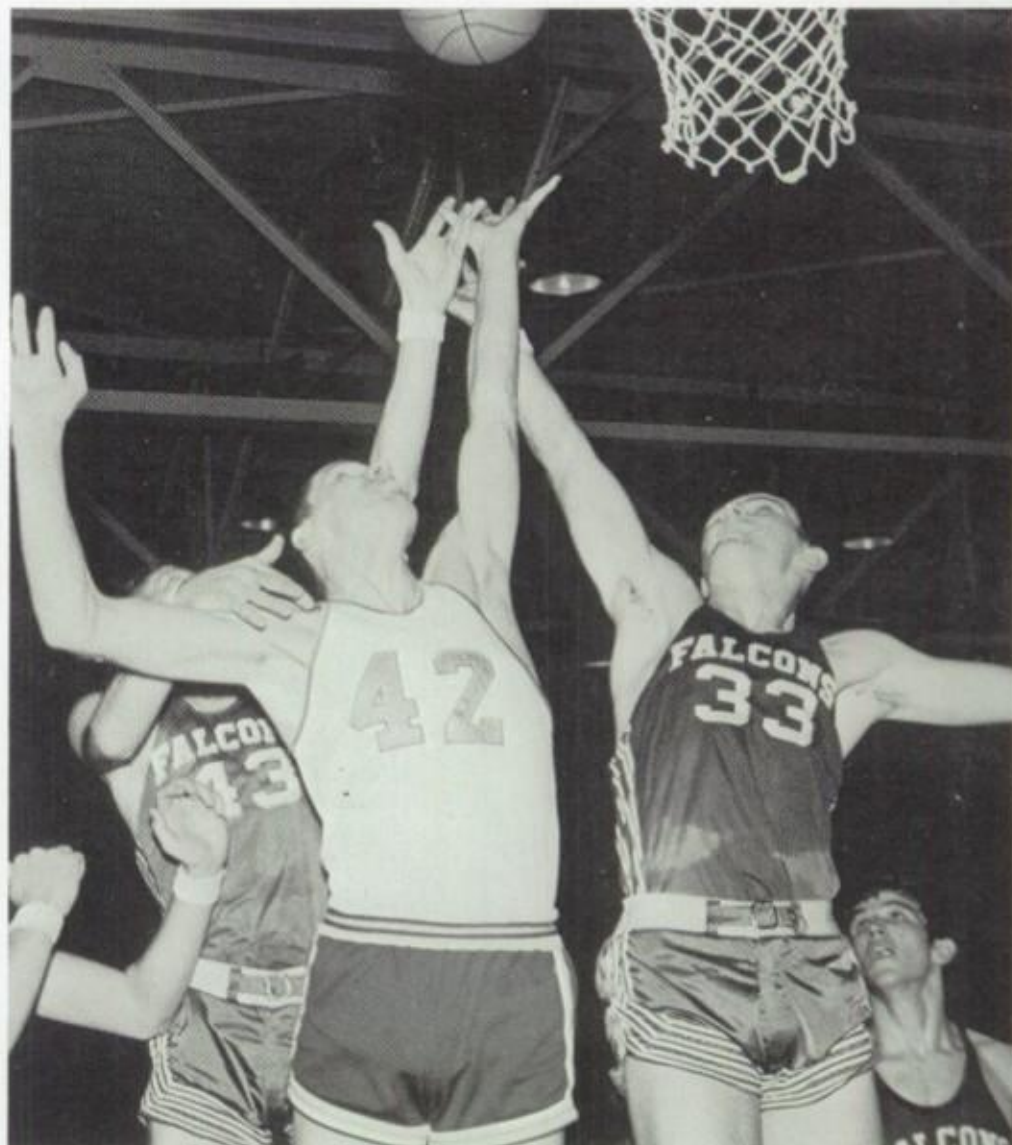
Five LaGrange players in the double figures proved to be the winning combination as the Gators downed Byrd 78-63. In a strong third quarter, the Jackets pulled within 4 points of LaGrange, but accurate shooting left them behind, and they were unable to catch up. Four Jacket players scored in double figures. They were John Payne with 20 points, Jere Overdyke with 15, Mike Rasberry with 12, and Roy Burroughs with 10. Payne and Rasberry each pulled in 10 rebounds.

LaGRANGE 78



AL HAND—Sr.
Letterman I

ROY BURROUGHS—Sr.
Letterman I



Mike Rasberry was fouled in his effort for retrieving rebounds in the Jacket's win over Northwood.

Mark at 4-4



RAYMOND KING—Sr.
Letterman I



As John Payne watched in the background, Perry Peyton, Jere Overdyke, and Mike Rasberry fought for a rebound in the 101-50 loss to Woodlawn.

MIKE RASBERRY—Sr.
Letterman I

BYRD 83

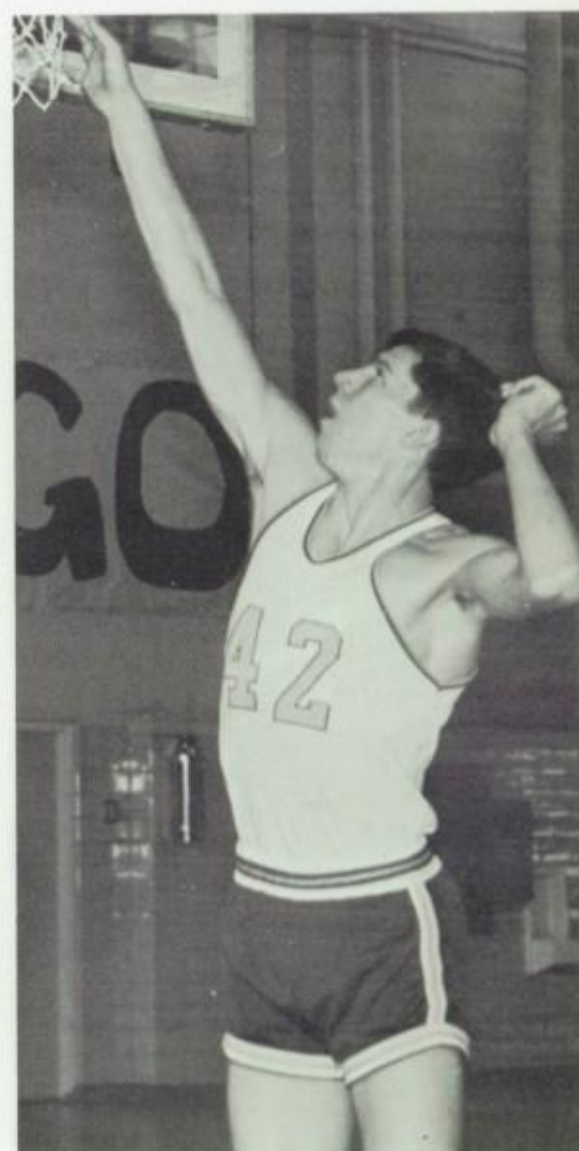
Outstanding efforts by 11 Byrdmen gave the Jackets a strong 83-62 win over Westlake of LaFayette. The Jackets attack seemed to be working at all points, as Byrd led in all 4 quarters. Byrd jumped off to a quick 11-1 lead, but was soon to be tied 17-17 in the second quarter. The Jacket five then took charge and came off with their third victory in seven starts. John Payne and Dickie Grieder, high-point men of the game, pumped in 29 and 27 points respectively. Mike Rasberry added 13 points and pulled-in 15 rebounds.

WESTLAKE 62

BYRD 55

Coming from behind in the fourth quarter, the Jackets eased past Jesuit 55-51. The Blue Flyers had the game in command until about midway of the third quarter when the Jackets began their charge. John Payne, Dickie Grieder, and Jere Overdyke combined for a quick 8 points, narrowing Jesuit's lead down to 6. In the fourth quarter, the Byrdmen outscored the Flyers by almost a 2-1 margin and were able to hold back the Flyers for a victory. Payne, Grieder, and Mike Rasberry were high-point men for Byrd with 16, 16, and 11 points respectively.

JESUIT 51



Jackets Entered Ark-La-Tex



CHUCK WALLACE—Sr.
Letterman I

PERRY PEYTON—Jr.
Letterman I



BYRD 64

QUITMAN 51

Starting the Top 16 Tournament off with a win was the goal of the Jackets, and this was accomplished as they beat Quitman 64-51. The game was held at the Byrd gym, as all city teams were hosts of the tournament. Holding Quitman to just 13 points the first half, Byrd jumped off to a quick lead, spreading it to 10 points in the first quarter, and stretching it to 11 points by the end of the second quarter. Holding back a fourth quarter surge by Quitman, the Jackets were able to win. Mike Rasberry dropped in 18 points and garnered 10 rebounds, and John Payne had 17 points and 11 rebounds.

BYRD 59

AIRLINE 69

Byrd's roundballers were unable to hold a strong Airline team in 69-59 loss to the Vikings, thereby eliminating the Jackets from the Top 16 Tournament. Following a slow first quarter, the Jackets outscored the Vikings in the second quarter by an 18-13 margin. Midway in the third quarter, Byrd pulled within one point of Airline, only to suffer three quick turnovers taken advantage of by the Vikings. John Payne was high scorer for the Jackets with 19 points, followed by Dickie Grieder with 18, Jere Overdyke with 8, and Mike Rasberry with 8. Overdyke also pulled-in 10 rebounds in the effort.

Don Birkleback passed-off to Bill McCutchen on a fast-break against the Fair Park Indians.



Tourney With a Victory

BYRD 59

Byrd's roundballers failed to hold hot-shooting Haughton and lost to the Buccaneers by 77-59. As a result of a cold 35% from the floor for the Jackets, they were behind by 13 points at the half. Byrd outscored Haughton in the third quarter but was unable to repeat it in the fourth quarter. John Payne dropped in 19 points, and Jere Overdyke had 10. Rebounding honors for the night went to Overdyke with 11.

HAUGHTON 77

BYRD 53

Byrd ventured to Ruston in hopes of another victory, but met defeat by a score of 68-53 at the hands of the Ruston Bearcats. The Jackets had another cold-shooting game despite John Payne's 27 points. Early in the game, Byrd ran into trouble as two starters fouled out and another hurt his hand and had to leave the game. Juniors Perry Peyton and Don Birkleback saw plenty of action as the Jacket forces on the court dwindled.

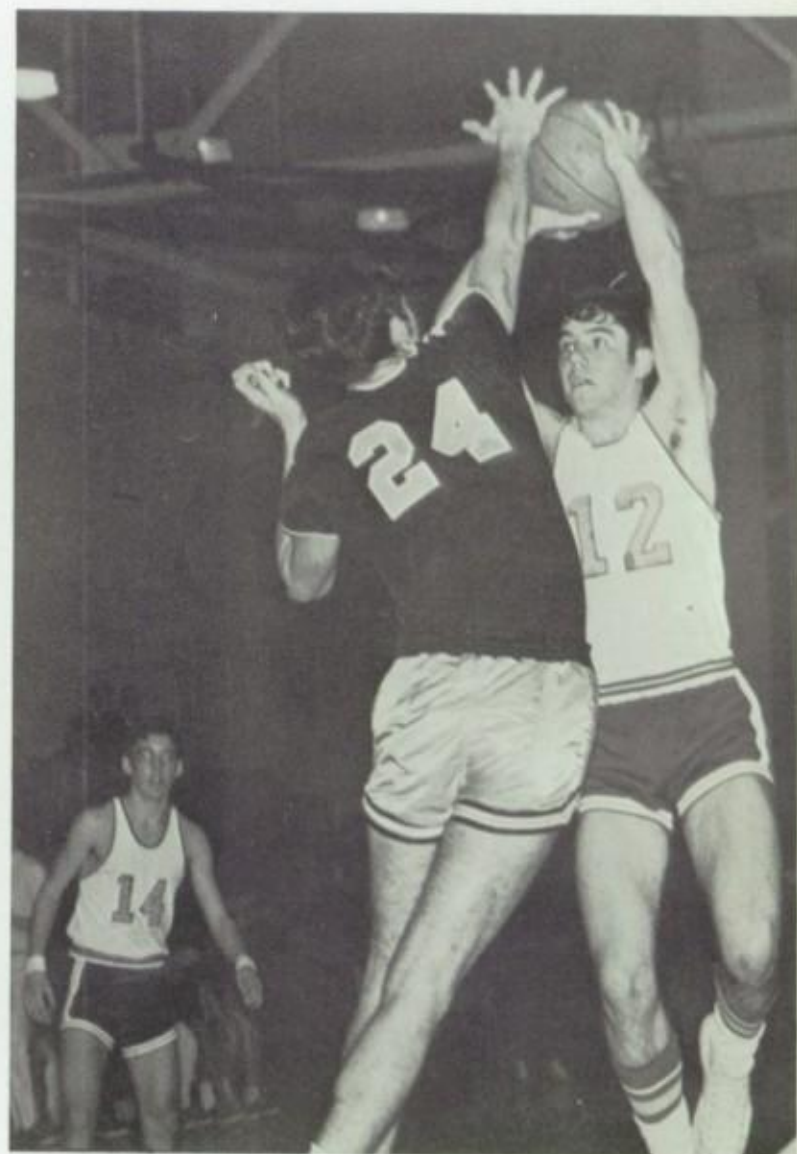
RUSTON 68



DON BIRKLEBACK—Jr.
Letterman I

Don Birkleback looked on as Bill McCutchen went-up for a lay-up against the Fair Park Indians.

John Payne set himself for the ball, as teammate Bill McCutchen tried to knock the ball out of a Northwood player's hands.



Payne Scored 40 Points

BYRD 91

NORTHWOOD 75

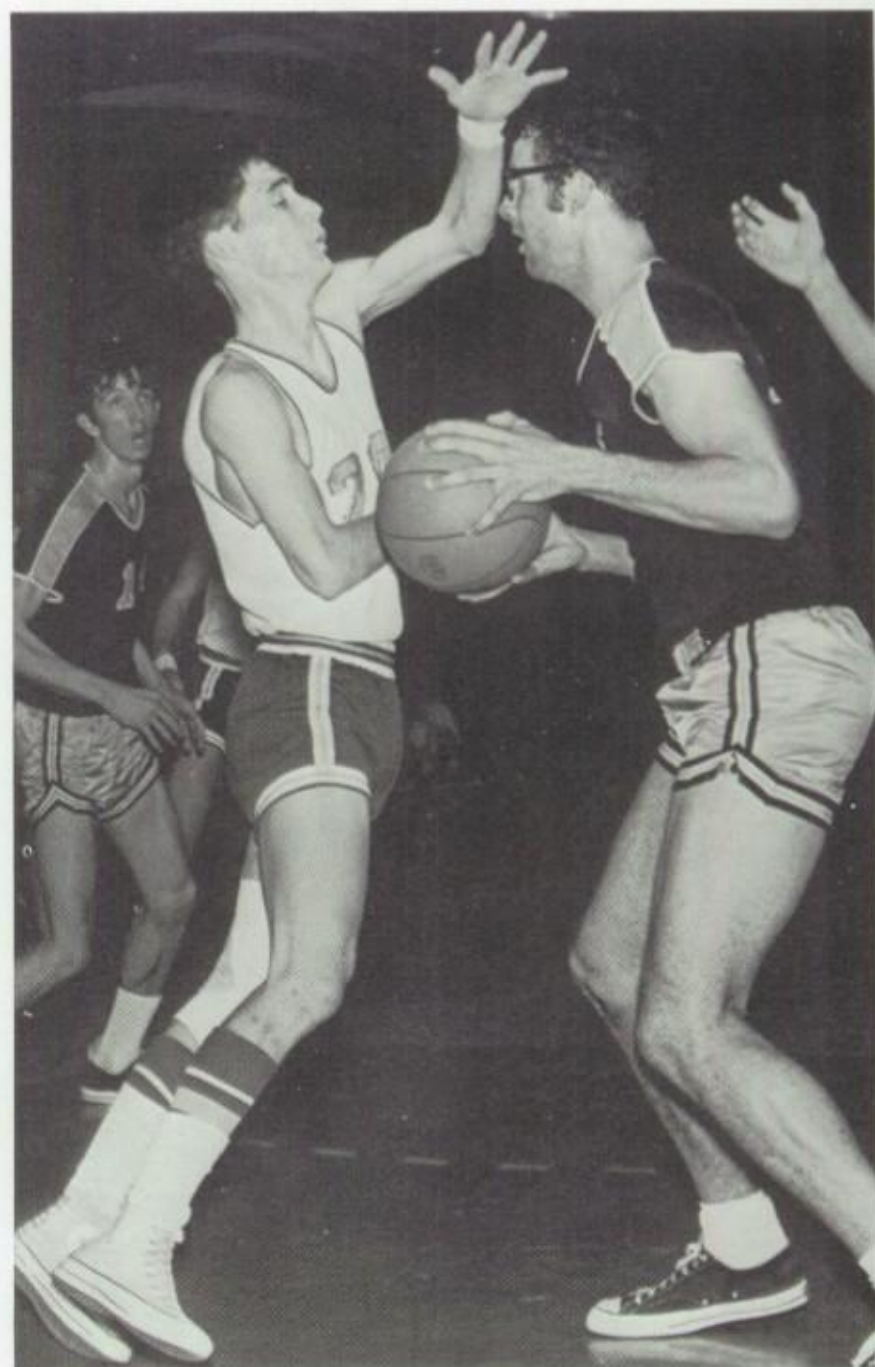
Riding a 56% shooting average for the team and a record-breaking 38 points by John Payne, the Jackets buried Northwood 91-75. The first quarter saw the Jackets jump to a 25-20 lead, but the second quarter saw the Falcons come right back with 21 points to Byrd's 17; the halftime score read Byrd ahead, 42-41. The third quarter proved to be the go-ahead for the Jackets, as they outscored Northwood by 15 points. Assisting Payne and his 38 points were Mike Rasberry with 17, Jere Overdyke with 16, and Dickie Grieder with 9. Payne was also high rebounder for the game with 11.

BYRD 69

CAPTAIN SHREVE 75

Byrd could only muster-up a three quarter game in its first district game and the remaining quarter proved to be the margin, as the Jackets lost to Captain Shreve 75-69. In the first quarter, the two teams battled basket for basket with Byrd coming-up on the short end by one basket. The Jackets started using a man-to-man press in the third quarter to help their sudden surge for victory. John Payne, Mike Rasberry, and Jere Overdyke were dropping-in points from all over the court, while Dickie Grieder provided some fine defensive moves, along with some sharp-shooting of his own. Grieder finished the night with 15 points as did Overdyke. Rasberry and Payne added 16 and 18 points respectively.

RUSTY SIMMONS—Jr.
Squadman



Perry Peyton and a Fair Park player struggled for the ball while another Indian waited to assist. Fair Park won the game by a score of 71-62.

Byrd's fighting Jackets took a leisurely break during half-time at one of the games.



and a New School Record



BILL McCUTCHEN—Soph.
Letterman I

BYRD 61

AIRLINE 98

Byrd's season's mark fell to 6-9, following a 98-61 loss to Airline. Airline outscored Byrd in all four quarters, producing five players in double figures while Jere Overdyke was the only Byrdman in doubles. Byrd stayed within 11 points until the third quarter, when Airline again caught fire and Byrd's reserves were put-in. Coach Rogers substituted freely in the third quarter, but settled down with his second string in the fourth quarter. Overdyke led the Jackets with 18 points and 13 rebounds.

BYRD 56

BOSSIER 81

Unable to hold the accurate shooting of the Bossier Bearcats, the Jackets lost their third district game in a row by a score of 81-56. Both teams traded baskets, as well as the ball, in a hectic first quarter. Everything cooled down in the quarter, including Byrd's shooting, as Bossier worked its way to an impressive lead. Byrd again caught fire in the third quarter, as a three-pointer by John Payne moved the Jackets to within 6 points of Bossier. Numerous turnovers and accurate shooting by Bossier squelched Byrd's chances for a victory. John Payne remained the second leading scorer in the city as he dropped in 27 points. No other Jacket achieved double figures, but a total of 12 men saw action.

Chuck Wallace closed-in to give assistance as Jere Overdyke and a Northwood player fought for the rebound.

BYRD 66

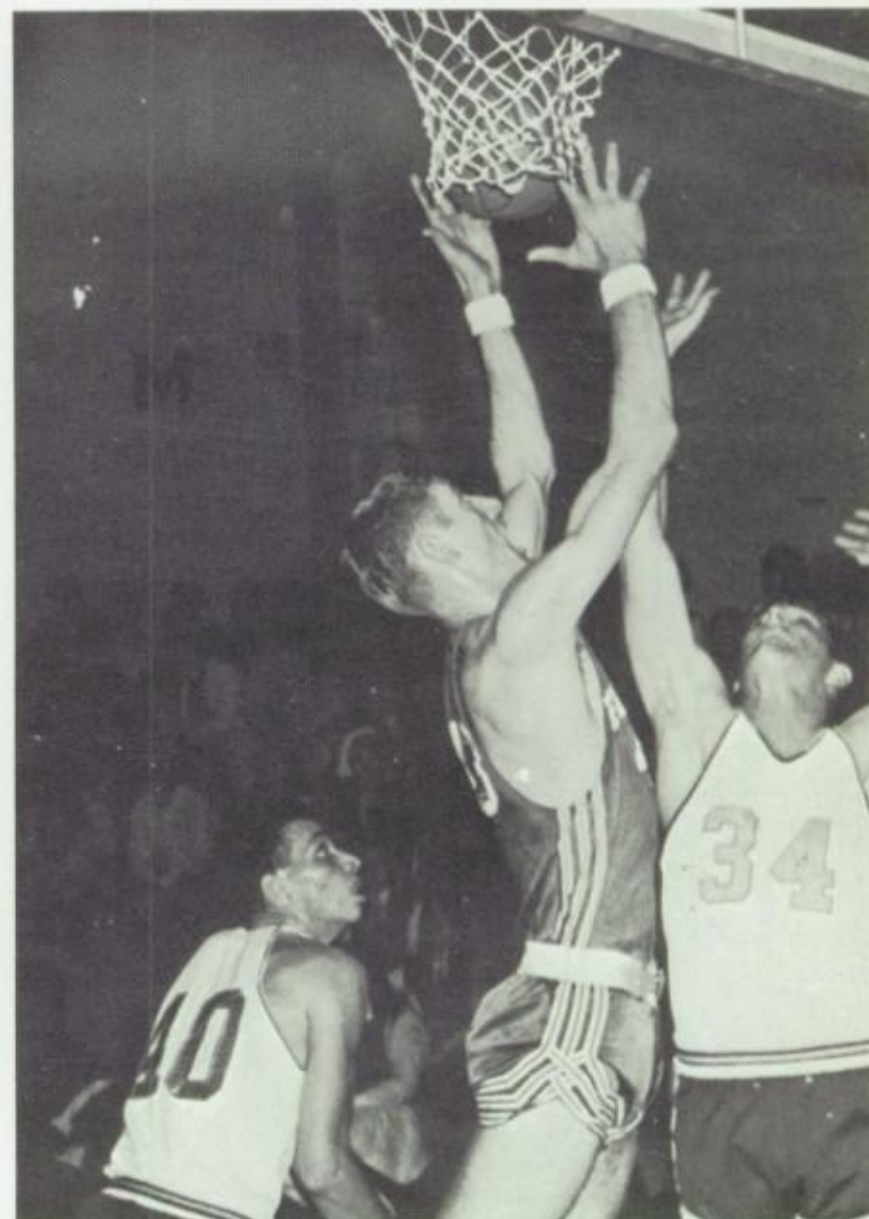
NORTHWOOD 59

Byrd used Al Hands' 12 points in the first quarter to victimize Northwood for the second time, this time 66-59. The first quarter, which saw Byrd take an 18-10 advantage, proved to be the decisive quarter as both teams battled to a tie in each of the remaining quarters. In the fourth quarter, the Falcons outscored the Jackets by one point. John Payne and Hand split the nets for 16 points each, while Dickie Grieder mustered 13 points and Jere Overdyke 9.

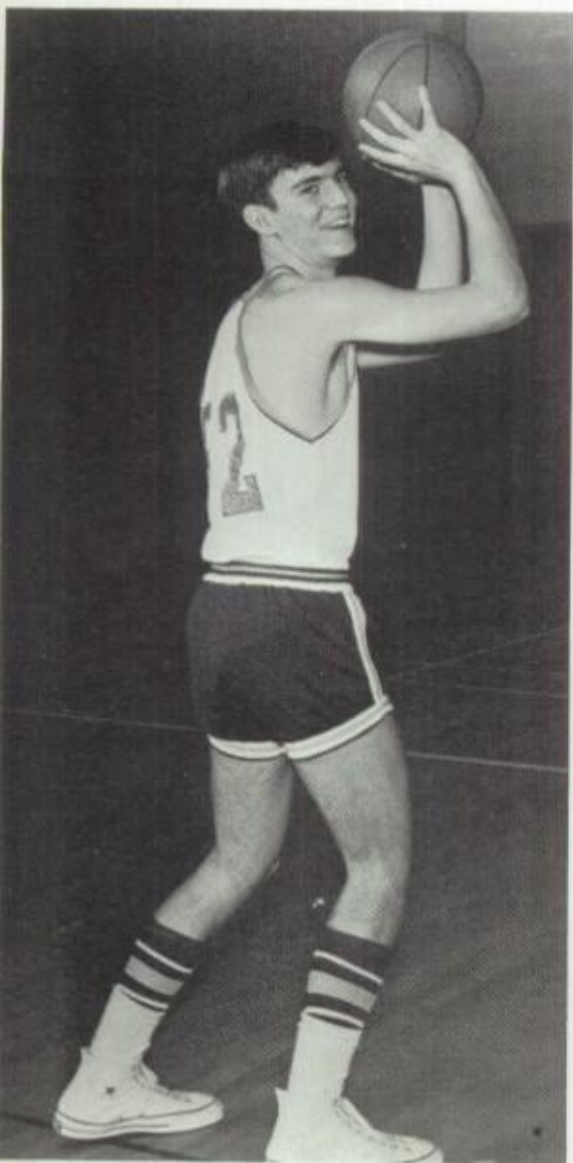
BYRD 50

WOODLAWN 101

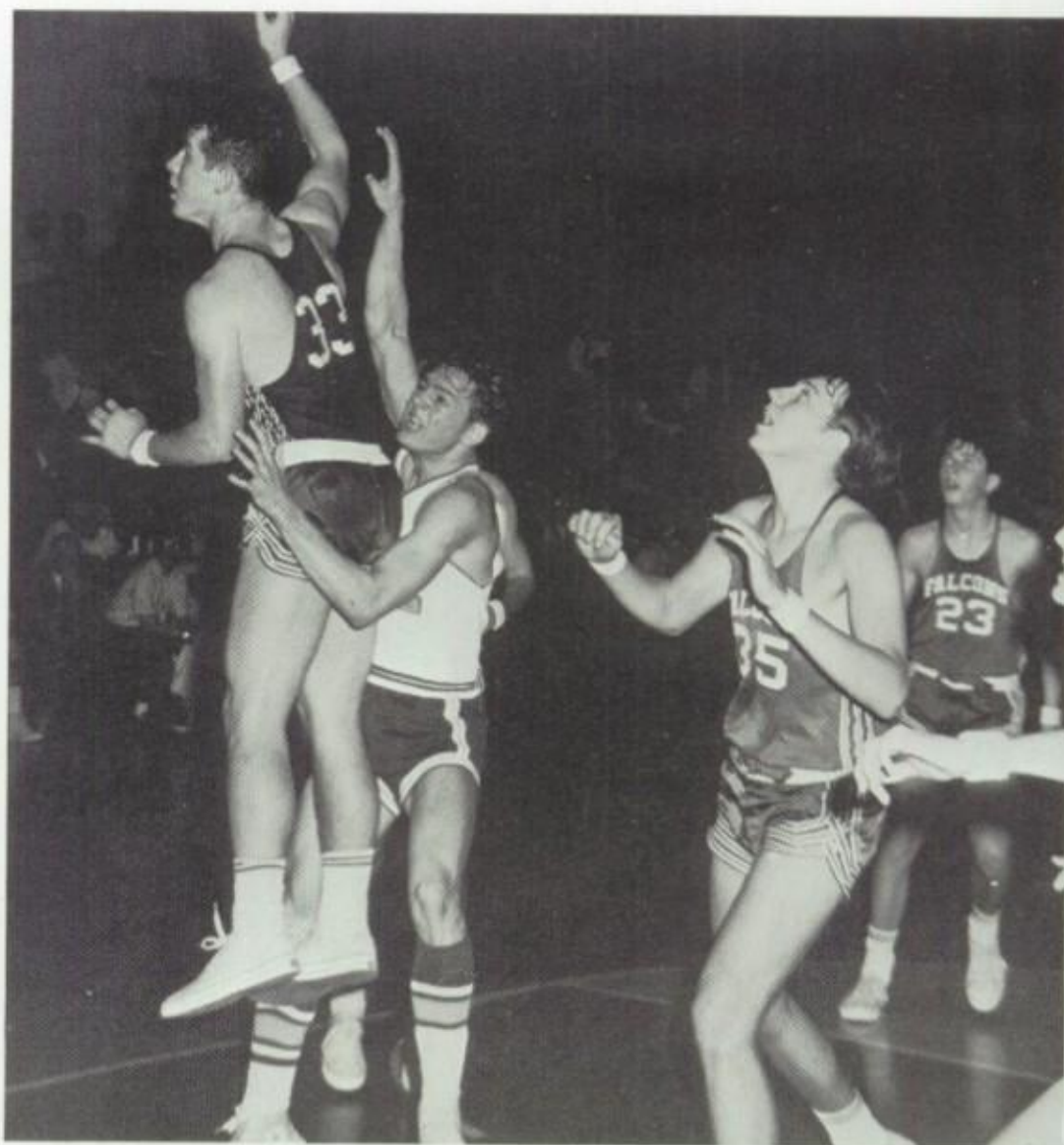
Cold-shooting Byrd was overwhelmed by Woodlawn by a score of 101-50, losing its fourth district game in as many starts. The Jackets could only assemble a 41% shooting average as can be evidenced by the halftime score, 49-17, in favor of Woodlawn. The second half proved to be nothing new, but it did seem as though Byrd was making a charge in the third period, only to be turned down in the fourth quarter. High-point men for the Jackets were Don Birkleback with 14 points and John Payne with 14. Fifteen Jackets were used in an effort to find a winning combination.



Juniors Gained Leadership



ORIE HUNTER—Soph.
Letterman I



Dickie Grieder and a host of Falcons parlayed for the ball in the game in which Byrd won 66-59.

BYRD 45

BOSSIER 76

John Payne and a swarm of inexperienced juniors faced the Bossier Bearcats and lost by a 76-45 score. By the end of the half, Byrd had compiled a total of only 20 points, as compared to Bossier's 42 points. The second half saw no new changes and Payne was the only Jacket player in double figures with 17 points.

BYRD 62

FAIR PARK 71

Byrd's season mark fell to 7-13 for the season and 0-5 for the district, as the Jackets suffered a 71-62 loss to Fair Park. Byrd was faced with a press in the first half and could muster only 25 points. The second half proved to be somewhat different for the Jackets, as they outscored the Indians by 11 points. The Indians' first half margin proved to be too much to overcome for the fighting Jackets. Before fouling-out, John Payne dropped in 19 points, followed by Orie Hunter and Don Birkliback with 11 points each, and Perry Peyton with 10.

BYRD 42

CAPTAIN SHREVE 84

Byrd jumped-off to a quick two point lead against Captain Shreve, only to see the Gators storm back defeat the Jackets by an 84-42 score. The first quarter saw the Jacket score doubled by their opponents; in the remaining three quarters, Byrd's score reached their final mark of 42 points. John Payne accumulated 13 points before leaving the game on fouls. He was helped by Perry Peyton with 9 points and 10 other players.

BYRD 72

AIRLINE 100

Despite a new 40 point scoring record by John Payne, the Airline Vikings outmaneuvered the Jackets and won, 100-72. Neither team could score until two minutes deep into the first quarter. Airline took command, and Byrd began to depend on Payne's scoring, which was divided equally in each half. The third quarter proved to be more of the same, as the Vikings outscored Byrd in the last two quarters.

and Skill as They Played

BYRD 46

BOSSIER 68

Dropping its seventh consecutive district game, Byrd was overpowered by Bossier 68-46. The Jackets' overall mark fell to 7-16. From the first quarter, Bossier was in command, taking advantage of cold-shooting, sparse rebounding, and numerous turnovers on the part of Byrd. Orie Hunter was high-scorer for Byrd with 13 points followed by John Payne with 12.

BYRD 59

WOODLAWN 103

Missing the district's number two scorer, John Payne, the Jackets were unable to overcome an overpowering Woodlawn team and suffered a defeat of 103-59. The Knights jumped-off to a quick lead and never relinquished it. Byrd shot a cold 32%, despite a 20 point showing by Orie Hunter. Helping out in the losing cause were Don Birkleback with 11 points and Bill McCutchen with 10.

BYRD 58

FAIR PARK 73

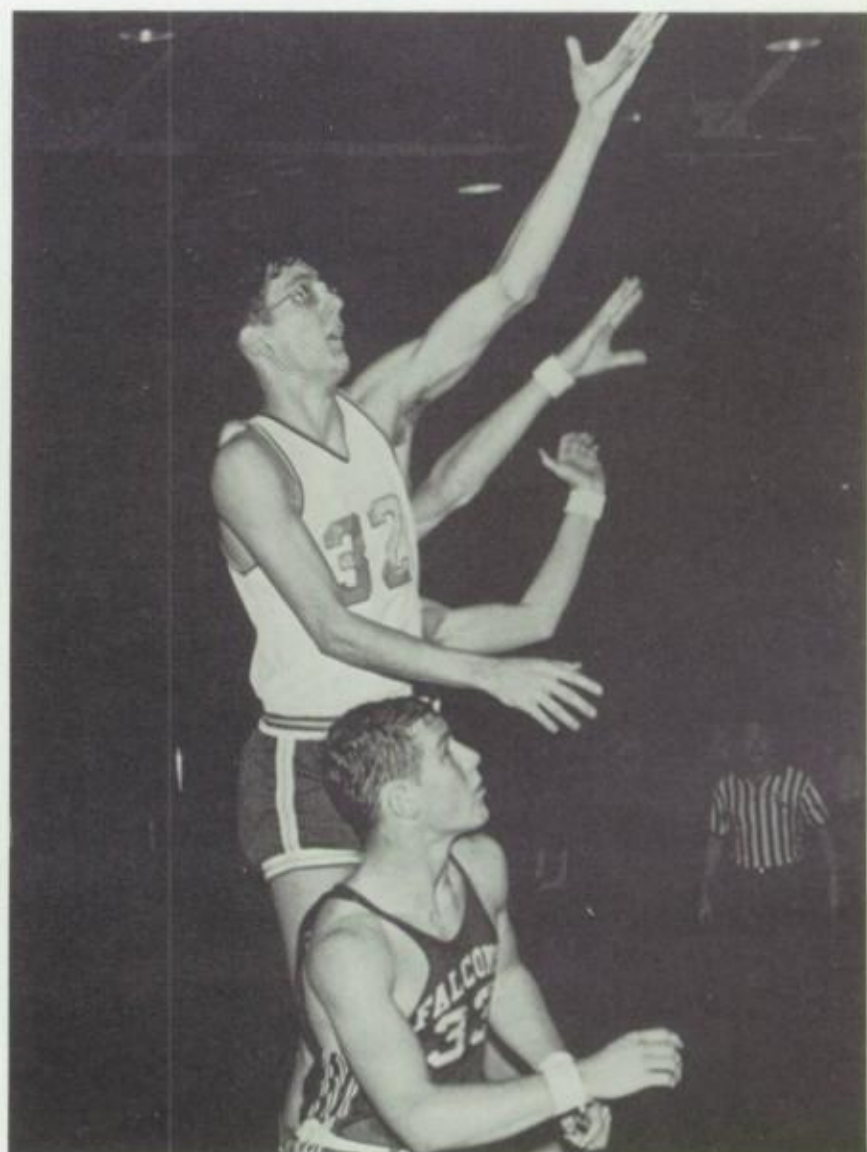
Finishing with a season mark of 7-18, the Jackets suffered defeat at the hands of Fair Park by a 73-58 score. The Indians used run-and-shoot tactics in the first quarter to run the score to 24-10, Fair Park. Don Birkleback and Bill McCutchen started hitting, and the Jackets slowly began to catch-up. The second half saw the Jackets match the Indians point-for-point in the third period and outscore them in the fourth. Along with Birkleback's 16 points and McCutchen's 15 points, Perry Peyton had 11, and Orie Hunter had 17.

Junior members of the Pep Squad showed their never-ending spirit by giving the basketball team an appreciation party at the end of the season.



GENE HATCHER—Jr.
Letterman I

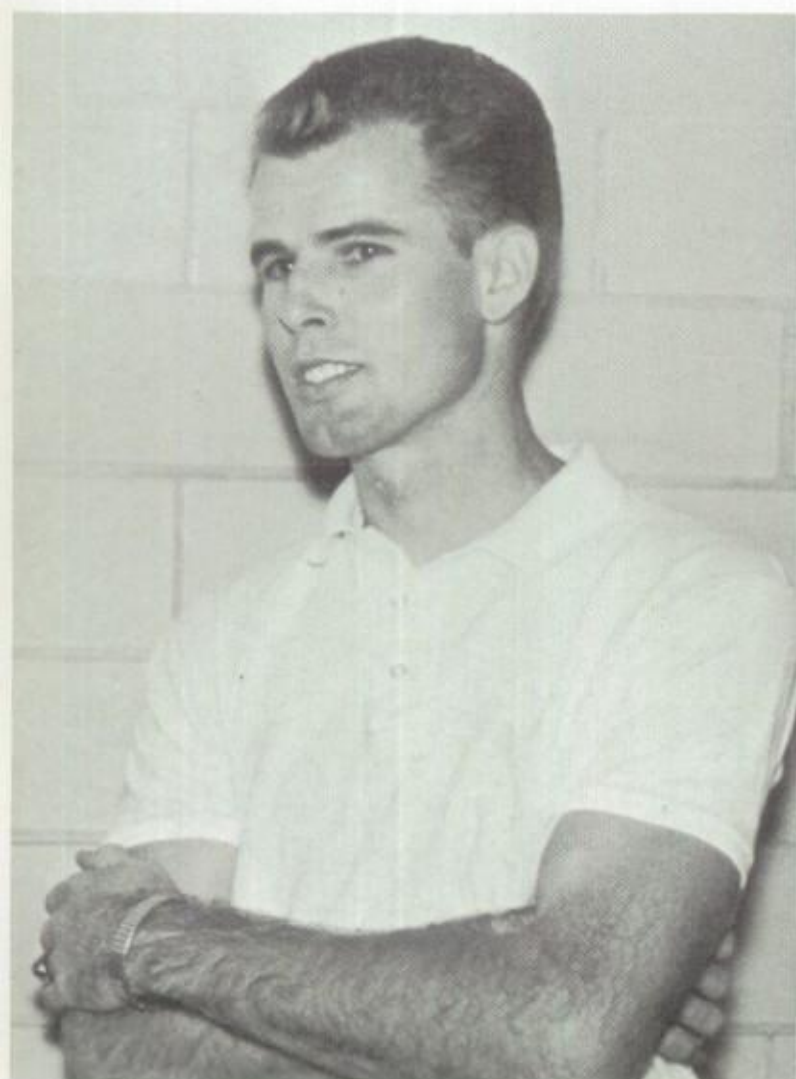
John Payne went up for one of his patented lay-ups in the 66-59 win over Northwood.





The "B" team for this year consisted of: *Front row:* Bill Clark, Perry Peyton, Don Birkelbach, Chris Anthony, Chuck Knight. *Second row:* Rusty Simmons, Bill McCutchen, Gene Hatcher, Andrew Hall, Jimmy Collinsworth. *Third row:* Tom Rademacher, Tom Ham, Walter Holder, Steve Middleton, Orie Hunter.

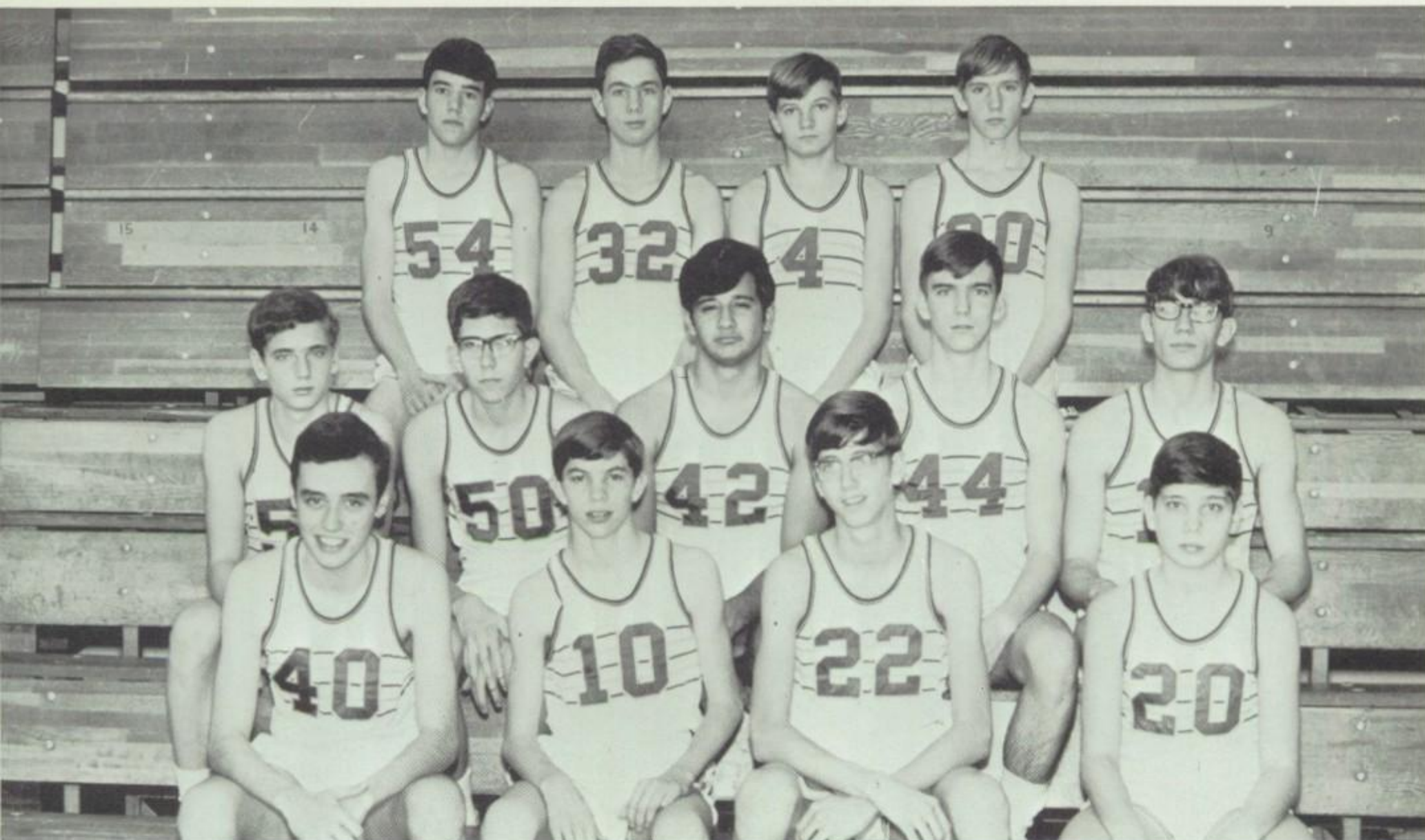
Juniors Learned



"B" Team and Sophomore Coach
JERROLD J. McLAURIN

"B" TEAM RECORD

<i>Opponent</i>	<i>Opp.</i>	<i>Byrd.</i>
Airline	63	46
Bossier	50	42
Woodlawn	46	45
Fair Park	42	27
North Caddo	34	38
Natchitoches	38	52
Minden	40	41
Ruston	49	46
Jesuit	20	57
Haughton	43	46
Ruston	44	46
Northwood	61	58
Woodlawn	39	49
Fair Park	29	28
Northwood	53	59
Bossier	46	43
Airline	62	53
Captain Shreve	41	39



Composing this year's Sophomore team were; *Front row:* Buddy King, Chuck Knight, Tom Rademacher, Peter Minder. *Second row:* Tommy McJunkins, Floyd Parton, John Theo, Orie Hunter, Jimmy Collinsworth. *Third row:* Bill McCutchen, Clay Eaves, Allan Bradley, Jerry Simmonds.

Skill and Sportsmanship

Spectators and players alike expressed anxiety as the "B" team paved its way to a victory against Haughton.

SOPHOMORE TEAM RECORD

<i>Opponent</i>	<i>Opp.</i>	<i>Byrd</i>
Captain Shreve	45	34
Captain Shreve	49	30
Woodlawn	62	34
Fair Park	37	26
Airline	33	44
Northwood	44	39
Jesuit	51	52





Front row: Larry Alford, Ken Thomas, Robert Mabry, Johnny Wheeler, Skip Stentz, Roy Burroughs, William Norton, Bill Johnson. *Second row:* Mike Collingworth, Dee Cooper, Larry Swafford, Charles Thrash, Bill Morris, Jack Goeders, Tom Teasley, Haller Jackson, James Turner. *Third row:* Mike Humphrey, David Brannon, Tom Blansett, David Graham, Mike Pilgreen, Elliot Stonecipher, Skipper Peel, Willis McNeill, Charles Clark, Morgan McElroy.

In 1968 the Jackets enjoyed a very successful season under the leadership of their new coach, Gene Hamner. The boys, after losing a couple of heartbreakers, compiled a 12-5 season record including eight district wins. Our all-district pitcher, Roy Burroughs, had a good year, having eight wins against only three losses.

Despite tying for second, the Jackets were unable to attend the State Playoffs because of a Louisiana High School rule stating that, in such a case, the team winning in regular season play would attend the play-offs. Fair Park tying Byrd for second defeated the Jackets twice in season play.

Beginning the season, Byrd played two non-district games to get warmed up. The Jackets took both of these from the Centenary frosh by scores of 4-3 and 5-4. Then the crucial games began—district games. After being ahead until the closing innings, Fair Park pulled ahead to stay and won 8-4. Losing the first district game came as a blow, but the famous Jackets' desire rose, and they won the next three district games against Ruston, Captain Shreve, and Woodlawn. The string was brought to a close by another close game which Bossier took 6-5. They finished the season with the rest being wins except a 5-1 loss to Airline. Tying for second a game behind Airline was a fine reward for new Coach Hamner.



GENE HAMNER
Head Baseball Coach

Second in District



The Jackets hosted Northwood in a game at Betty Virginia Park, the scene of many of Byrd's exciting victories and disappointing defeats.

Byrd..... 4	Centenary 3	Byrd..... 4	Fair Park 8
Byrd..... 5	Centenary 4	Byrd..... 8	Captain Shreve 4
Byrd..... 4	Fair Park 8	Byrd.....11	Jesuit 2
Byrd..... 8	Ruston 3	Byrd.....10	North Caddo 2
Byrd..... 8	Captain Shreve 5	Byrd..... 1	Airline 5
Byrd..... 1	Northwood 5	Byrd..... 9	Woodlawn 1
Byrd.....11	Jesuit 3	Byrd..... 7	Ruston 2
Byrd..... 3	Woodlawn 1	Byrd..... 9	Bossier 1
Byrd..... 3	Bossier 6		



Managers of the team are: Ronnie Foster; Cosimo Kleckinger; Cade Havard; Oliver Carroll.



Gerry Holland rapped one of the many Jackets hits against Woodlawn. The Jackets went on to win 3-1.

JACKETS Began Season



Ronnie Adley strides toward first base as he had one of the many hits that helped down Woodlawn.

BYRD 4

CENTENARY 3

Friday, March 2, Byrd jumped off ahead of the race by downing the Centenary freshmen 4-3. The one hit pitching of Roy Burroughs and Johnny Hammonds completely baffled the frosh. Although Centenary's one hit was a homer, Byrd's Mike Humphrey and Jonny Wise combined in the top of the eighth to push across the winning runs.

BYRD 5

CENTENARY 4

In the second game with the freshmen, on Monday, Byrd made it two in a row by defeating Centenary 5-4. The going was tough until hitting from Jim Woods, Joe Cordill, Johnny Wise and Gerry Holland combined in the top of the seventh to rally Byrd past the Centenary frosh.



ROY BURROUGHS—Senior
Pitcher-Letterman III



In need of a win, the bench urged their teammates onward to victory.



ROBERT MABRY—Senior
Catcher-Letterman I



HALLER JACKSON—Senior
Pitcher-Letterman I



BILL MORRIS—Senior
Outfielder-Letterman I

With 5-Game Win Skein



MIKE HUMPHREY—Senior
Infielder—Letterman I



Jackets took pride in their hitting power. The key to their success was endless hours of batting practice displayed by Ken Thomas.

BYRD 4

A big final inning by the Fair Park Indians put dampers on Byrd's share for the district lead, making them 3-1 for the year. Byrd leading 4-3 until the Indians had a 5 run seventh inning aided by Wayne Haney's grand slam homer. Ronnie Adley, having a big day, stole a base and had two singles and also a home run. The defeat went to Roy Burroughs who was now 4-1. This game, having been rained out, was rescheduled and played on April 4.

BYRD 8

Southpaw Roy Burroughs, behind the hitting of Jim Wood, Joe Cordill and Johnny Wise, pitched a three-hitter as Byrd beat Ruston 8-3. This win was the Jackets' fourth straight and Burroughs' second in as many starts. Beginning the Byrd's victory, Wood rapped a three-run line drive double to tie the game. From here on it was all Byrd with Wood getting two doubles and every player in the lineup stealing a base.

FAIR PARK 8

RUSTON 3



ELLIOT STONECIPHER—Senior
Outfielder—Letterman I



TOM TEASLEY—Senior
Outfielder—Letterman I



Robert Mabry slid safely into second after getting a double. The game with Centenary was won by Byrd 4-3.

JACKETS Had

BYRD 8

CAPTAIN SHREVE 5

Byrd High's diamond squad rallied to overcome a five run first inning by Captain Shreve. Roy Burroughs, posting ten strike-outs, also had two hits knocking in two runs. Aiding Burroughs in the hitting department were Johnny Wise, Jere Holland, and Hank Buddecke, each rapping out two hits. The Jackets weren't able to overcome the Gator's lead until the third inning when they pushed across four runs. The win made Byrd 5-0.

BYRD 1

NORTHWOOD 5

After a five game winning streak, the Byrd Yellow Jackets were upended by Northwood in the season's most surprising upset. It took the Falcons five pitchers to hold the Yellow Jackets to six hits and only one run, while Jeff Stewart went all the way for Byrd. Hank Buddecke slammed out two hits for the losing cause.



JACK GOEDERS—Senior
Infielder—Letterman I



Straining to lead the Jackets toward a win, Billy Brockington displayed 100% effort in attempt to get a hit.



DEE COOPER—Senior
Outfielder—Letterman I



WILLIS McNEIL—Senior
Infielder—Letterman I



Jim Wood, displaying the typical hitting power of the Jackets, lashed a double. Later, Wood crossed the plate to tie the score.

12-5 Season



Composing the Byrd's pitching staff for the 1969 season are: Haller Jackson, Roy Burroughs, Mike Pilgreen, David Brannon, Jack Goeders, Mike Collinsworth, Bill Johnson, and Morgan McElroy.

BYRD 11

Byrd Yellow Jackets, riding on thirteen hits and numerous errors by the Jesuit Flyers, ran away with an easy win. Johnny Hammonds, the winning pitcher, gave up only four hits to the Flyers. Jerry Holland and Jim Wood each went two for three in defeating the Flyers. Also adding to Flyer miseries were Chuck Guelfo's triple and Billy Brockington and Jim Howell's doubles.

BYRD 3

In the shortest game of the season, Byrd trimmed Woodlawn 3-1. When the Byrd team allowed two errors in the first inning, the Knights scored one run. In the bottom of the first inning, behind hitting of Joe Cordill and Ronny Adley, Byrd knotted the score. Scoring runs in the third and sixth inning clinched the game. The victory was Roy Burrough's fourth straight against no losses.

JESUIT 3

WOODLAWN 1



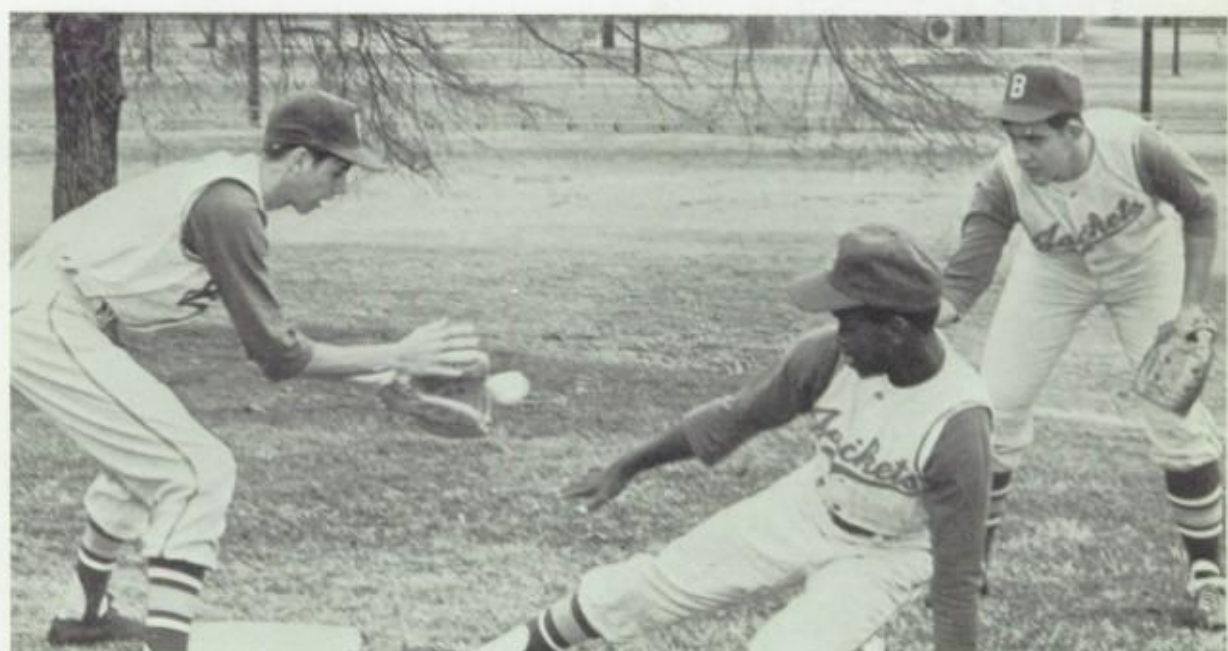
LARRY SWAFFORD—Senior
Infielder—Letterman I



CHARLIE CLARK—Senior
Infielder—Letterman I



JAMES TURNER—Senior
Infielder—Letterman I

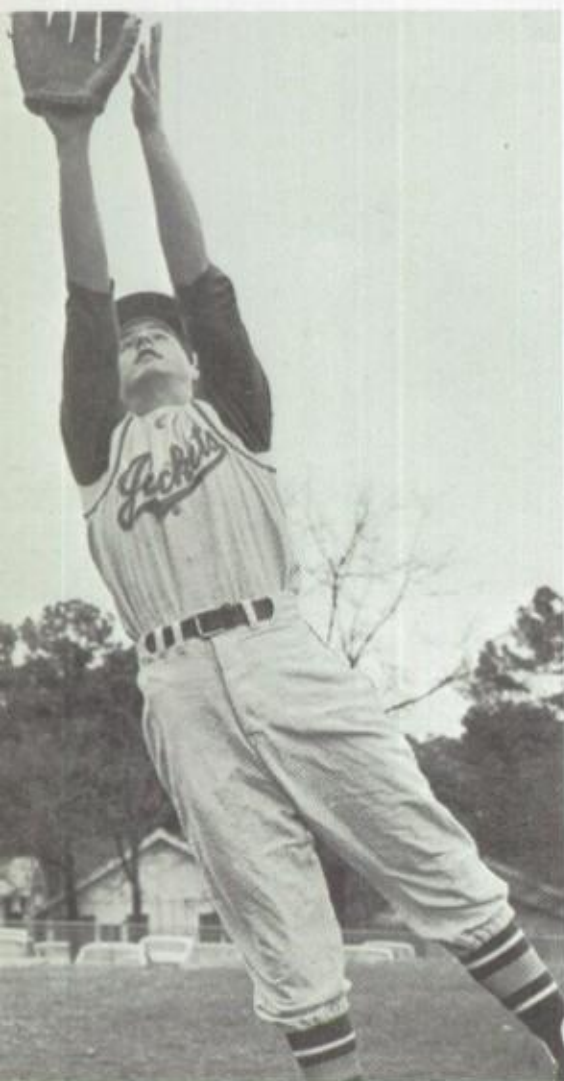


A double play can save many a run and possibly the game. Skip Stentz and Larry Swafford displayed the proper method as Larry Alford "slides in."

JACKETS Had 8-4



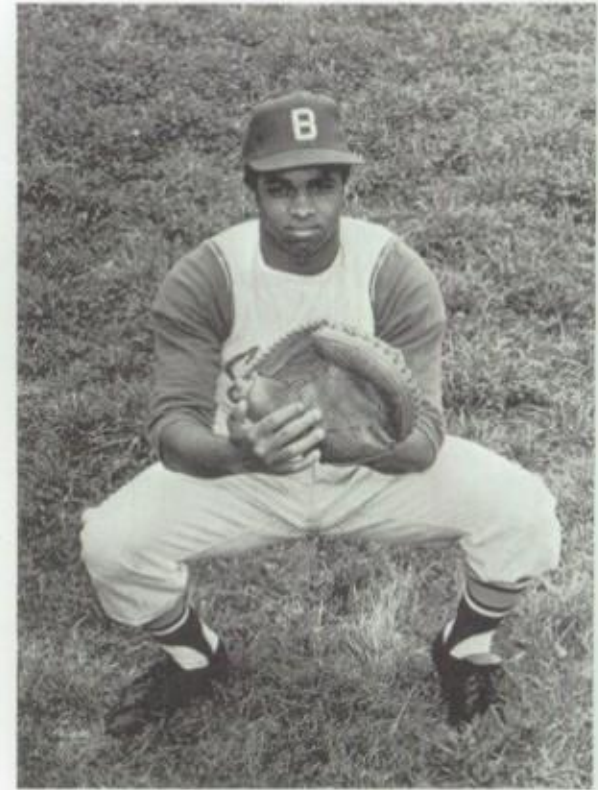
Third Baseman Mike Humphrey awaited the pitch by Perry Peyton against Jesuit. Byrd went on to win 8-4.



Haller Jackson reached up and snagged a high fly in a scrimmage game.



Mike Howell, Byrd's second baseman, was tagged out in an exciting game against Fair Park.



CHARLES THRASH—Junior Infielder—Squadman

BYRD 5

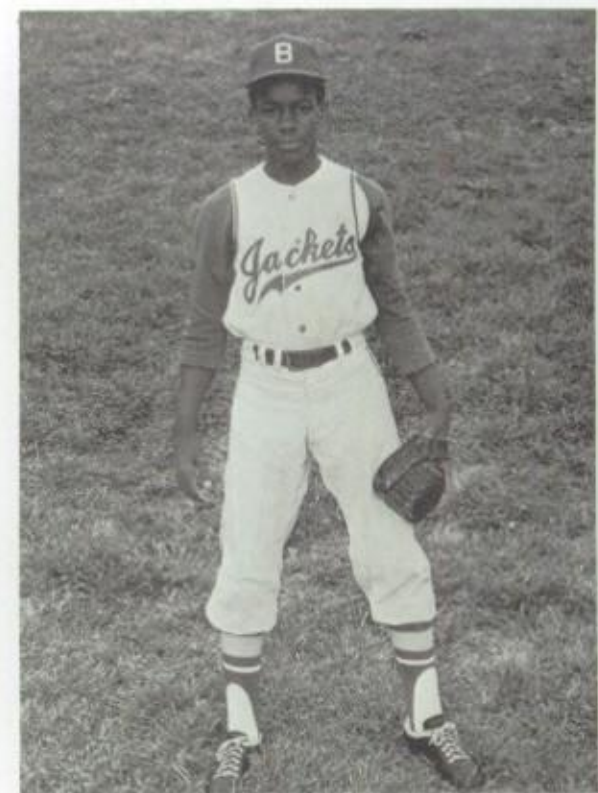
BOSSIER 6

Dealing Byrd's chances for 1-AAA title a blow, Bossier rallied in the seventh inning to win 6-5. Down by a score of 5-0 in the fifth inning, Bossier scored six runs in the last two and a half innings to capture the win. The hitting power of the Jackets wasn't as good as usual, getting only two hits. The score remained close on because of the wild pitching of Bossier. The defeat went to Steve Robertson, making Byrd's district record 3-2.

BYRD 8

CAPTAIN SHREVE 4

Byrd eased past Captain Shreve with Ronnie Adley going three for three and Johnny Wise stealing five bases. Roy Burroughs won his fifth game against only one loss. Helping toward the win were Johnny Wise, Joe Cordill, and Billy Brockington, each having two hits apiece.



LARRY ALFORD—Junior Infielder—Squadman

District Record



At Betty Virginia Park the Jacket squad viewed another Byrd victory against Captain Shreve.

BYRD 10

NORTH CADDO 2

Remaining within sight of first place, Byrd rapped out 10 hits to beat North Caddo 10-2. Perry Peyton came off the bench to pitch his first game. Allowing only two hits in the five innings he pitched, Peyton secured the victory for Byrd. The hitting by the Byrdmen was led by Billy Brockington and Mike Howell, each getting two hits. Byrd was now only one-half game out of first place.

BYRD 11

JESUIT 2

Four runs in the second inning proved to be enough to defeat the Jesuit Flyers. After Jim Wood's double scored Jerry Holland and Ronnie Adley, Jim Howell singled and scored Sonny Kirby. Then pitcher Steve Robertson knocked in Howell on his trip to the plate. Byrd later added seven more runs to the tally. Robertson went all the way for Byrd, taking his first win against no losses. The win upped Byrd's record to 10-3 for year.



When Byrd is behind, the Jackets' desire reaches a maximum and a complete team effort is born, as displayed by Mike Howell.



WILLIAM NORTON—Junior
Infielder—Squadman



First baseman James Turner stretched high to grab a high throw, while Elliot Stonecipher beat the throw.



SKIP STENTZ—Junior
Infielder—Squadman

JACKETS Displayed

The team sat on the edge of the bench anxiously awaiting the outcome, a victory over Ruston which kept the Jackets' hopes alive.



DAVID BRANNON—Sophomore Infielder—Squadman

BYRD 1

The Byrd team could not overcome the three errors they made in the first inning. These errors produced two runs which proved to be too much. Of the five hits Byrd had, Joe Cordill and Ronnie Adley each had two apiece. Roy Burroughs lost his second game against six wins, giving up eight hits, but it was the errors that hurt the most.

AIRLINE 5

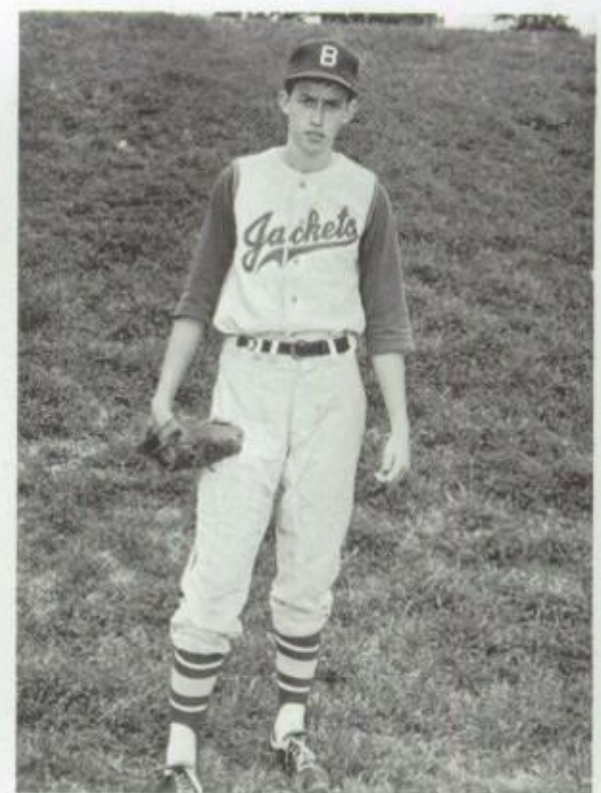
BYRD 9

Igniting a Byrd rally in the third inning, Ronnie Adley tripled, followed by a run-scoring single by Jerry Holland. From then on, Byrd's momentum was too much for the Woodlawn nine. Adley was in the thick of the Byrd fifth inning which produced the insurance runs. After Joe Cordill singled, and later came home on Billy Brockington's one bagger, Adley drove a one-base blow and later scored, along with Brockington, when Holland pounded one out for a hit. Then in the sixth frame Cordill tripled in two runs. In all Byrd had 19 hits, one a homerun by Hank Buddecke, Roy Burroughs was the winning pitcher.

WOODLAWN 1



Byrd High's slugger, Johnny Wise, contributed numerous clutch hits to carry the Jackets through many a game. In a game against Bossier, he was a sparkling 3 for 4 at the plate.

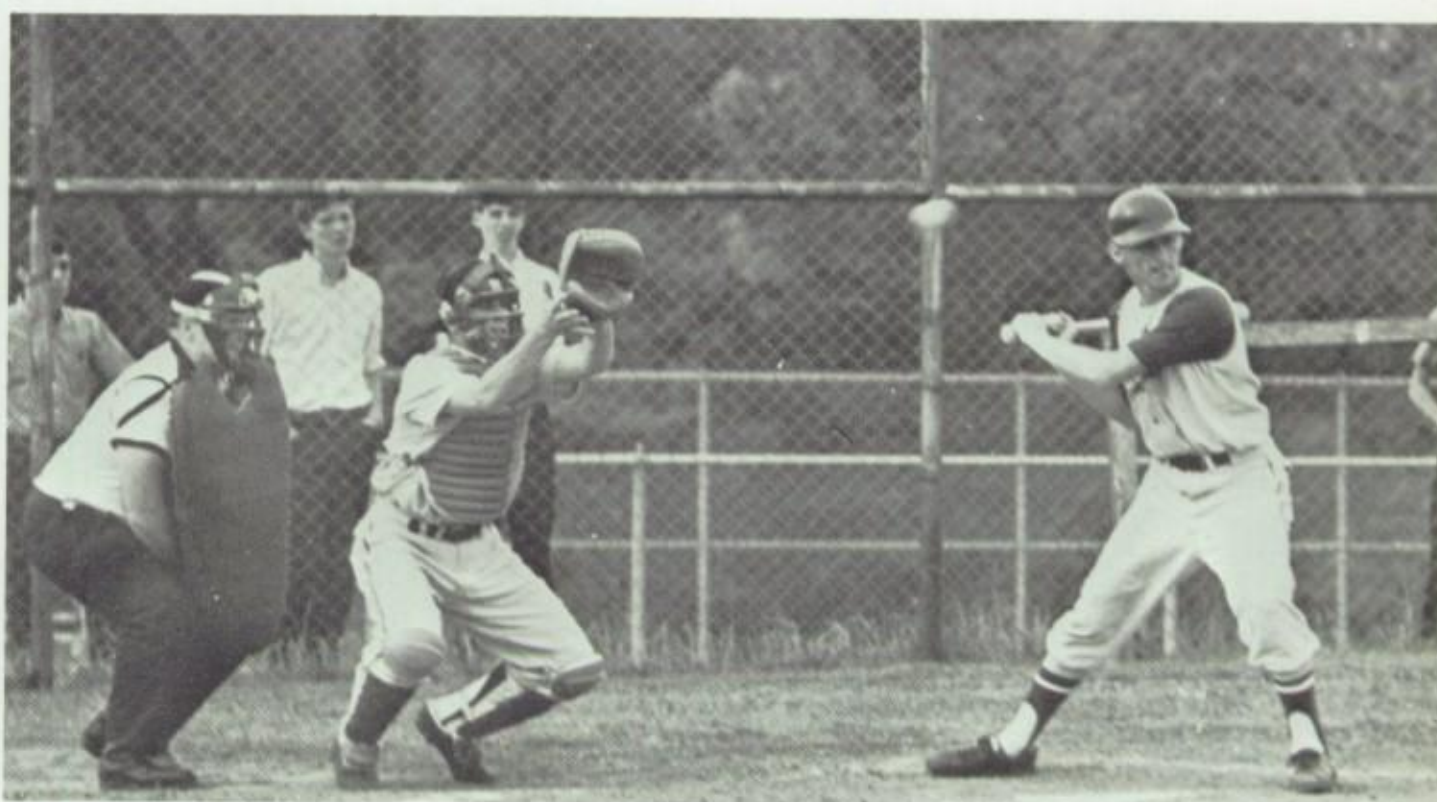


BILL JOHNSON—Sophomore Infielder—Squadman

Excellent Pitching Staff



MIKE COLLINSWORTH—Freshman
Infielder—Squadman



Mike Humphrey got ready to take a swing at the ball in the Woodlawn game, as the Jackets entered a tie for the District lead.

BYRD 9

Keeping Byrd's hopes alive for a share of the crown, Byrd defeated Bossier 9-1. Behind the 4 hit pitching of Roy Burroughs and the hitting of Johnny Wise, Joe Cordill and Jim Woods, Byrd easily won. The nine runs were accounted for from the ten hits of the Jackets. Byrd remained in third place, a full game behind Airline and a half of game behind Fair Park.

BOSSIER 1

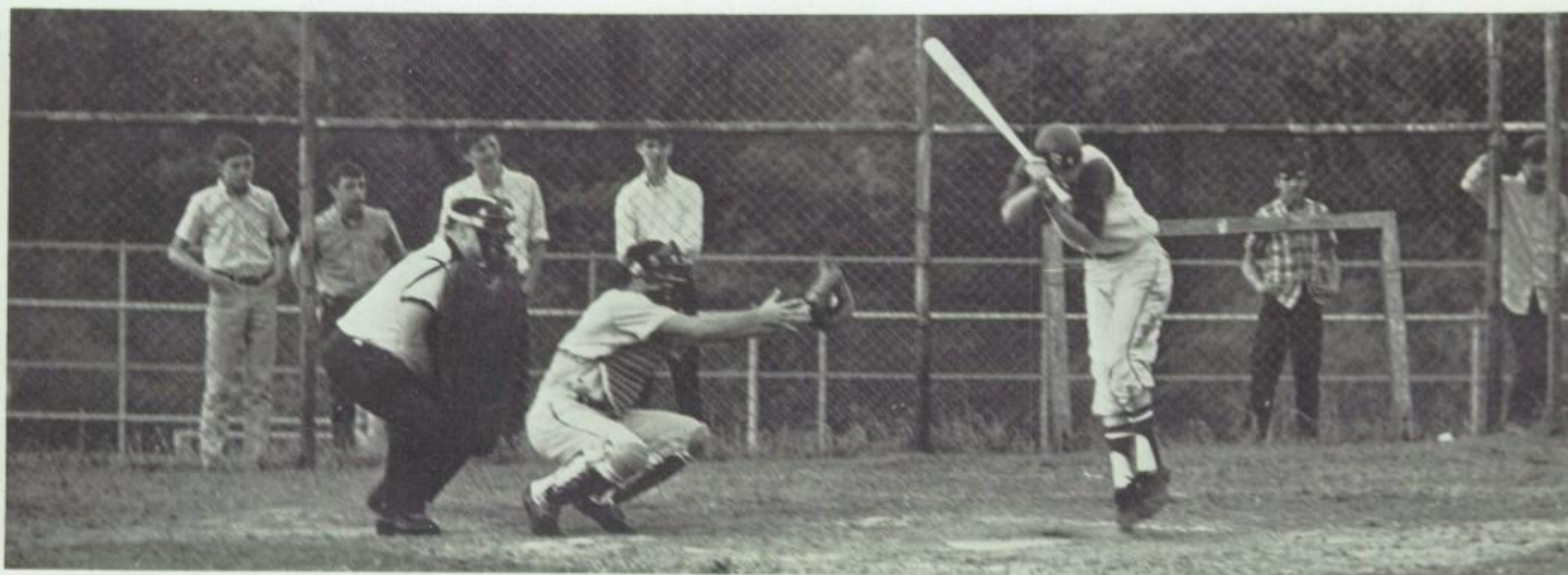
BYRD 7

Byrd, battling to stay near the top of the league standings, took a seven to two win over the Ruston Bearcats. The Jackets got to Ruston's pitcher for 11 hits, three by Ronnie Adley, including a homerun, and two each by Joe Cordill and Billy Brockington. Sophomore Perry Peyton took the win, making his record for the year 2 and 1. This being the last game, Byrd tied for second place with a 8-4 season.

RUSTON 2



KEN THOMAS—Junior
Infielder—Squadman



Robert Mabrey jumped out of the way as he was barely missed by the ball in the Jacket win over Bossier.

Spirit Stick Won For the 14th Straight Year

"Who are the Jackets?" "We are the Jackets!" Such is the familiar cry led by the cheerleaders and often heard ringing through the halls of Byrd. With remarkable determination and never-failing enthusiasm, our 1968-69 cheerleaders have continued the deep spirit of Byrd in the best tradition of the past. Spending long hours devoted to work, they were often found planning pep rallies, drawing banners, and producing skits. Included among their many amusing skits were "Went With the Wind," "Pour on the Spirit," "Robin Hood and His Merry Men."

During the summer our cheerleaders demonstrated the excellent standards and achievements of the past by winning first place at the Sam Houston Cheerleading School in Huntsville, Texas for the fourteenth straight year. Although competing against eighty different schools, they managed to win the spirit stick four out of the five nights they were there. Besides these honors, the cheerleaders learned many new techniques and different methods of cheering which were demonstrated throughout the year.

Elected by the student body in the spring of 1968, these spirit boosters have played an important role in preserving and maintaining an inherent part of Byrd's tradition, that of true "Jacket Pride."



CINDY HANEY



RICHIE WOODALL



SCOTTY COMEGYS



PHIL WATSON



BILLY GUIN
Head Cheerleader



STEPHEN ADCOCK



Senior football players Craig Flournoy, Towney Robinson, Tom Teasley, Bill Parker, Mike Sweeney, John Morgan, Roy Burroughs, Bill Furlong, Gary Brownlee, and John O'Hara enjoy the hearty breakfast of eggs, bacon, and orange juice served in the cafeteria by the Drum Corps.

Uncertain new members of the Junior and Senior Pep Squads were quickly taught by the Drum Corps what is expected of each and every Stingerette—pride and enthusiasm for her school, a ready willingness to work, and high personal integrity. Then with the resounding beat of its drums, the Corps carried forth the spirit of the Pep Squad, providing the necessary tempo for marching, spurring each Stingerette to achieve her very best, and stirring the hearts of Jackets in both assemblies and at games. Every member of the Corps spent many hours learning and practicing the cadences, striving to become accomplished enough to receive a drum; she naturally feels a justified sense of pride whenever she performs. In 1969 the Drum Corps prepared and served a delicious breakfast for the football team in an effort to show the players that they had the full support of every Stingerette. They watched with amusement when the Juniors made a clumsy attempt to play the drums on Go West Day, and they lent their whole-hearted support to all Pep Squad projects—from selling booster buttons to making spirit tags. Looking back, each member of the Drum Corps carries fond memories of both good times and bad times, and a sense of honor and pride in her accomplishments.

DRUM CORPS Gave Honorary Breakfast

Front row: Vicki Turner, Kathleen Mitchell, Carolyn Stuckey, Carol Cannon, Molly Nolen, Sandy Verhalen, Kathy Smith, Pam Lynn. *Second row:* Camilla Bolch, Debbie Dubois, Ellice Brown, Jane Baldridge, Kathy Fontane, Pam Hooper. *Third row:* Lynn McMahon, Cindy Norman, Polly Stoddard, Patti Falk.



Front row: Roslyn Murov, Cindy Dorfman, Nancy Coats, Sharon Leeper, Karen Perks, Pat Lindsey, Stephanie Woolhandler, Michele Willingham. *Second row:* Ann Levy, Janie Jagers, Laura Bodenheimer, Kitty Kirkpatrick, Scotty Lyons, Amy Lerner. *Third row:* Ginger Hagens, Cathy Tucker, Margaret Stagg, Ellen Alexander.

STINGERETTES Marched Through Year of Boosting

Row after row of excited girls stood at the edge of a football field, nervously listening to the bark of the loud speaker and watching the glare of brilliant floodlights. Suddenly a shrill, piercing whistle sounded; thirty-five drums thundered in answer, and 128 girls in purple skirts took the first step in a yearlong performance—a performance designed to bolster team morale, uphold school tradition, and instill pride in the heart of every student. For these girls were the Stingerettes, the Pep Squad, the core of spirit at Byrd.

The performance had its very first beginnings in the morning hours of the summer, when the Stingerettes learned the rudiments of marching and began to create the endless banners, postcards, and posters used throughout the school year. It progressed to the assembly on the first day of school when the resounding cheers of the Pep Squad gave freshmen and sophomores their first taste of Jacket spirit. Working to keep this spirit strong, the Stingerettes swung into their annual carnival and Peep Show and, later on, honored the football team with a breakfast preceding the Wood-

lawn game. Then, with the advent of Go West Day, they painted enormous banners to create a lively Western town in the cafeteria, and decorated hundreds of lollipops with cowboy hats to be served in the Golden Slipper Saloon. On Basketball Day, the Pep Squad prepared a breakfast and donned sailor hats in honor of Byrd's bounce boys, supporting the theme of "Sail in a Win." Throughout each stage of the performance and at every appearance the Stingerettes made, the faculty sponsors, Mrs. Sally Moody and Mrs. Florence Holloway, were present to give support and guidance.

After a year of work and dedication, each member of the Pep Squad is left with beautiful memories—memories of yelling in the rain on Go West Day, of singing all the way home from Center, Texas, of summer mornings at 7:00, of crying when the seniors had to go; she is left with deeper, more lasting friendships and a personal sense of accomplishment for the part she has played in keeping alive that spark of spirit and integrity which will always be a part of Byrd.

Row one: Top to bottom: Rhoda Link, Susan Abney, Camille Sample, Mary Mika, Myra Linebarier, Carol Ellis, Roxie Cariere, Susie Brown. Second row: Joann Reeks, Kristi Peninger, Ginny Walke, Linda Anderson, Debbie Pomeroy, Beverly Taylor, Debbie Crosslin, Susan White. Third row: Beverly Lofton, Peggy Allen, Susan York, Pam Willis, Janis Turner, Lanell Barnes, Cesca Russell, Patsy Langford, Deborah Hunter. Fourth row: Leslie Holder, Cathy Trichel, Catherine Murrell, Raynelle Smith, Terry Lazarus, Margaret Bailey, Debbie Gates, Jan Adams.



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Susie Royle
*Drum Corps
Sergeant-at-Arms*



Anne Thorne-Thompson
*Junior
Sergeant-at-Arms*



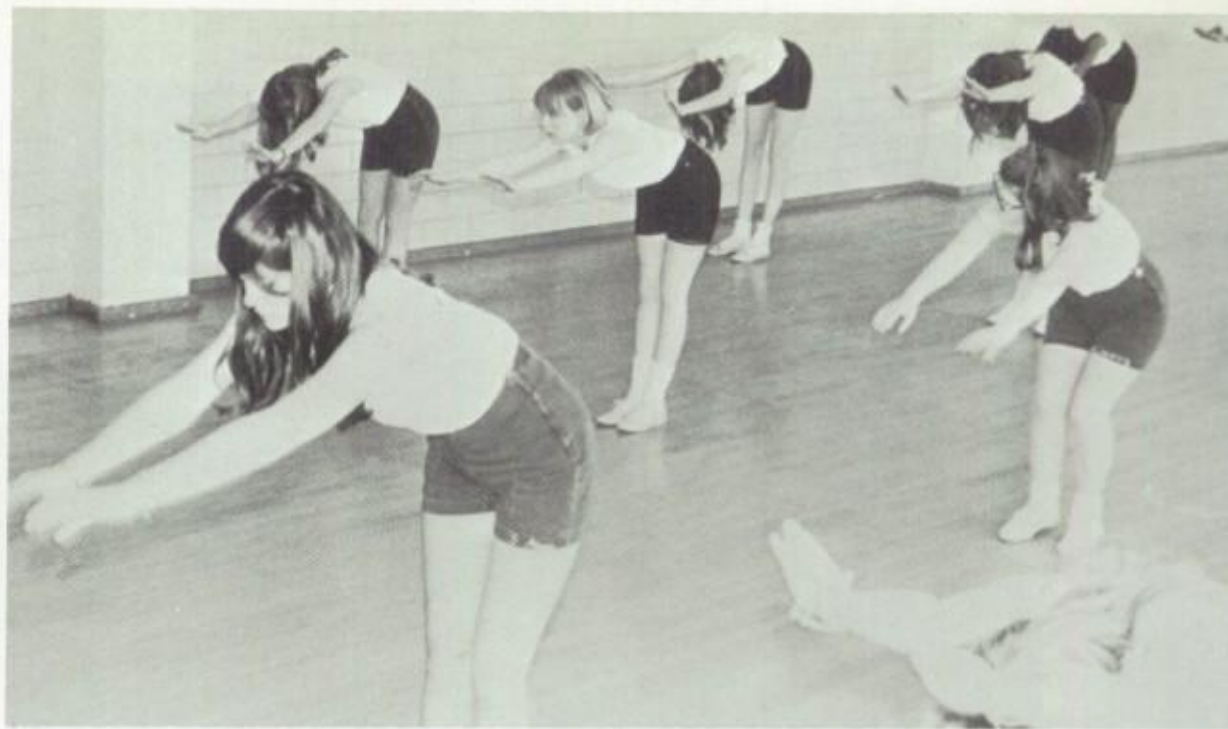
Top to bottom, Row one: Jean Dover, Betty Shields, Nancy Creamer, Gayle Dodson, Gale Guess, Carolyn Nelson, Anne Pou. *Second row:* Cecilia Robertson, Whittney Quinn, Charlee Smith, Candy Covington, Frances Jones, Joyce Hollingsworth, Carolyn Foster, Candy Pardue, Petesie Hadra. *Third row:* Adrienne Poss, Diane Parks, Emily Lafitte, Linda Collins, Sally Gee, Martha Kurz, Janet Marvin, Paula Sneed, Katie Crawford. *Fourth row:* Barbara Williams, Cathy Fryer, Deborah Betts, Rebel Brown, Julia Minor, Elaine Shipp, Sharon Gates, Kay Coombs, Susie Wilkes. *Fifth row:* Ginger Fortson, Becky Hall, Judy Cohen, Donna Dunbar, Judy Hardtner, Rosary Calloway, Helen Rosenkrans.

True spirit of the Pep Squad emerged at the Fair Park game when the girls shivered through rain and freezing cold to cheer the Jackets to victory.



In order to develop skill in the different sports as well as good muscle co-ordination and agility, every high school girl is required to take P.E. Physical fitness, teamwork, and individual agility compose the different phases stressed in class each day, thus enabling every girl to develop into a well-rounded individual physically, as well as mentally and spiritually. All girls were taught on both an individual and team basis and were graded according to their skill, co-operation, and eagerness to participate.

Fundamentals, taught at the beginning, were the hardest part of the P.E. classes. However, after practicing every day for six weeks, each girl became skilled, and quite often arose to determine the best in each class. As the girls learned the rules, they were also taught courtesy and good sportsmanship, two of the most important aspects of any contest.



Girls' P.E. classes not only provided exercise, but also taught rhythm as seniors learned new dance steps.

GIRLS' P.E. Promoted Health in Girls.



In this world of automation, daily exercise is essential and was provided regularly in the P.E. classes.

During one six weeks period, every junior class took a First Aid course. They were given a handbook of general knowledge and were shown films on lifesaving techniques.



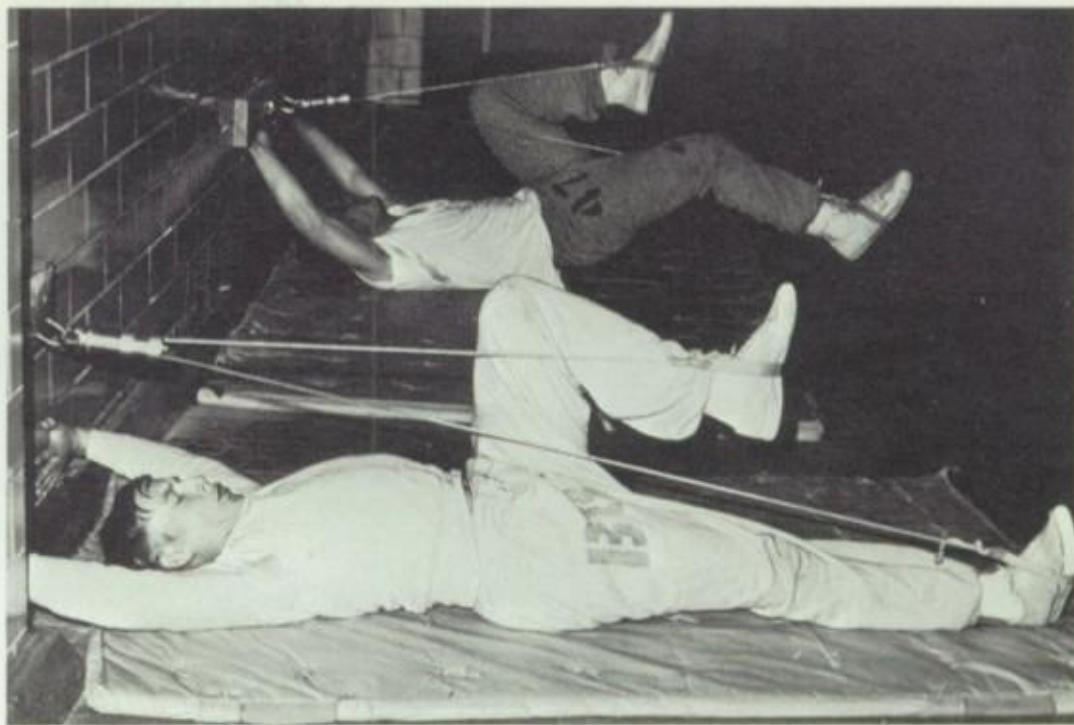
Basketball was an exciting, fast-moving game enjoyed by the sophomores.

Although a gym class stressed physical activity, all the girls couldn't play at once. When teams were involved, some were needed to referee, watch lines, and keep score.





Phil Watson and James Turner enjoyed a rousing game of touch football, one of the many sports in which those in Boys' P.E. participate.



John Cordell and Mike Swinney strained at the bicycle in Coach Rabin's "Exergenie" set up in the little gym.

Exergenie Was Added to BOYS' P.E.

Physical Education was very important to the development of all boys and, therefore, was a required activity at Byrd, excluding those in R.O.T.C. or a school sponsored sport.

During P.E. period boys participated in many sports, including football, baseball, basketball, and track. They also lifted weights, wrestled, or participated in gymnastics.

Besides preparing a person physically, these sports also teach him to think and react quickly.

During the year, one six weeks was taken out for a Health and Safety course. Its purpose was to teach boys First Aid and to prepare them for responding quickly and efficiently to emergencies.

Those who completed three years of this class are physically fit for most challenges to be met in later life.



Albert McWilliams and Greg Hill worked at the "Big 4" in another part of the Exergenie.



Tommy Harper finished far ahead of everyone else in one of the many races run in the track portion of Boys' P.E.



SINCE PEOPLE ARE ONE OF THE "THINGS THAT COUNT," seniors take time to relax at a visit at historic site, the old horse stables of an old plantation. These seniors are: Doug Hadra, President, National Honor Society; Mark Massey, Tennis; Glenna Gallaspy, Pep Squad Majorette; Molly Nolen, President, "Z" Club; Alan Ross, Swim Team; Rozann Nelbert, Editor, "High Life;" Haller Jackson, Executive Committee, Student Council, Gary Brownlee, Associate Editor, GUSHER; Tom Teasley, President, Interact; and Stephanie Woolhandler, National Debate Championship Team.



*To be a symbol of success
These are the things in life that count.*

This section—Personalities—does not deal with just a few major people; instead, it covers all the people that make a school. A school, like any other organization, is no better than the persons who compose it, and Byrd has always had a high quality of people, from the teachers to the frightened freshmen who shyly walk the halls the first few weeks. These people come to Byrd afraid, not knowing very many people. They leave as seniors, ready to take their place in society. Some go directly to work, while others continue their education at a university, but all leave with hope, because Byrd taught them hope. It taught them never to quit, but to keep searching for their dream. It taught them that life is hard, but that, with hope, they can never lose, for hope is the key to life. Byrd taught its students never to look back, but keep moving forward. Byrd taught the value of friendship. Many students came to Byrd without friends, but they leave with friendships and memories that will stay with them until they die. Yes, Byrd taught its students their first lessons of life. It taught them happiness and sorrow, victory and defeat, and never to be satisfied with perfection, but to keep striving for a better life.

And now that many leave Byrd behind, ready to conquer new horizons, they can look back on three years of happiness. But, they will not actually leave Byrd behind, for it will stay a part of them, as they will of it, until death. Yes, Personalities are one of the "THINGS THAT COUNT," for personalities symbolize people, and people are life.

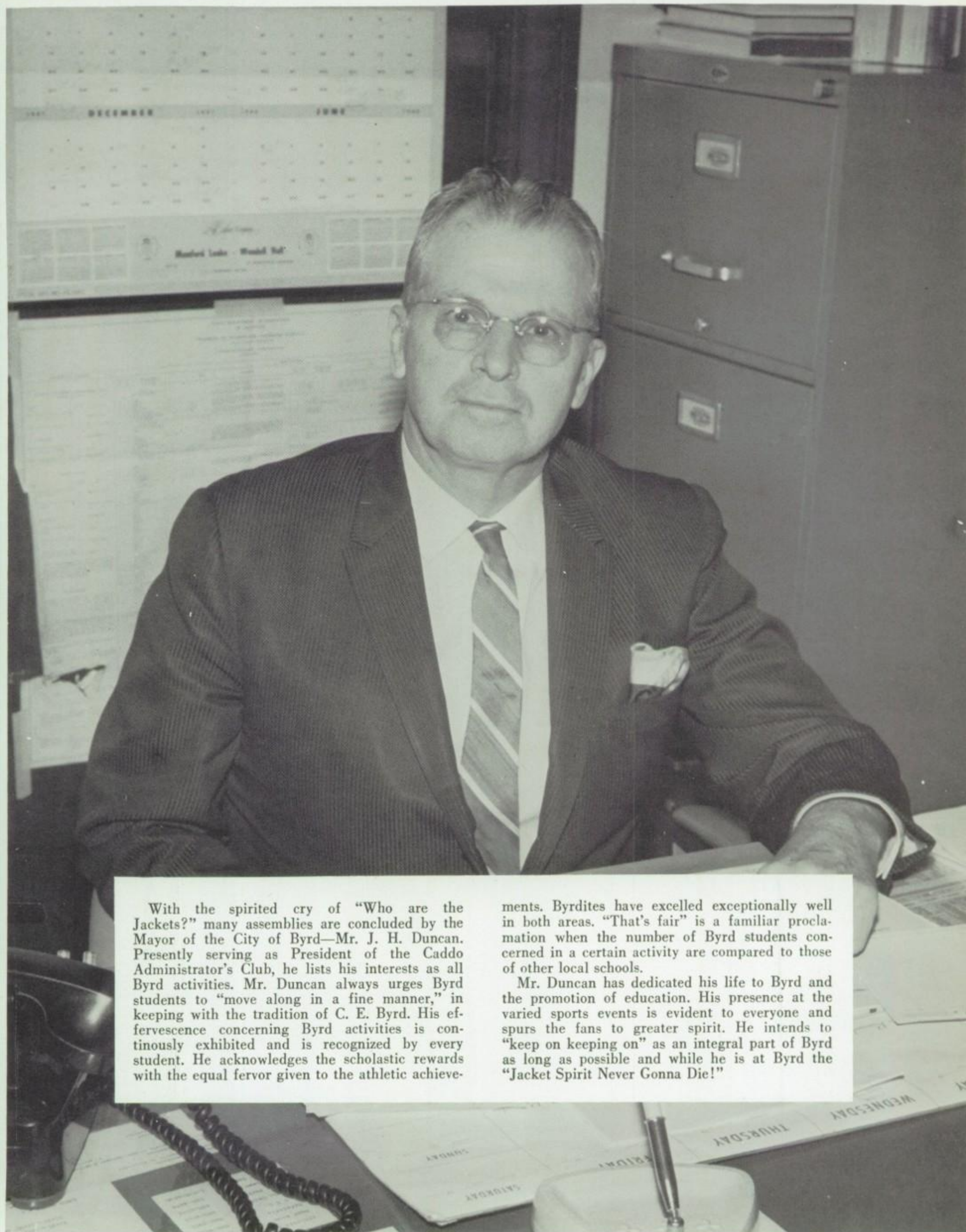
Personalities



Students take for granted the work and effort put forth by teachers. While a student spends maybe an hour writing a paper, teachers spend five or six grading them. Also, teachers spend many of their extra hours as sponsors for different organizations without pay. For these reasons, the GUSHER honors the faculty at Byrd.

Faculty

MR. DUNCAN Aroused Undying Jacket Spirit



With the spirited cry of "Who are the Jackets?" many assemblies are concluded by the Mayor of the City of Byrd—Mr. J. H. Duncan. Presently serving as President of the Caddo Administrator's Club, he lists his interests as all Byrd activities. Mr. Duncan always urges Byrd students to "move along in a fine manner," in keeping with the tradition of C. E. Byrd. His effervescence concerning Byrd activities is continuously exhibited and is recognized by every student. He acknowledges the scholastic rewards with the equal fervor given to the athletic achieve-

ments. Byrdites have excelled exceptionally well in both areas. "That's fair" is a familiar proclamation when the number of Byrd students concerned in a certain activity are compared to those of other local schools.

Mr. Duncan has dedicated his life to Byrd and the promotion of education. His presence at the varied sports events is evident to everyone and spurs the fans to greater spirit. He intends to "keep on keeping on" as an integral part of Byrd as long as possible and while he is at Byrd the "Jacket Spirit Never Gonna Die!"

Students Assisted Willingly by



JACKIE BOMAR BARR

Counseling the Juniors of 1968-69 as Mrs. Jackie Barr. She attended Centenary and Northwestern where she received a B.S. and M.Ed. in Guidance and Counseling. Besides holding the position of Secretary of the La. Guidance Association, she enjoys reading, sewing, and spending time with her children.



JANICE DAVIDSON

Enjoying reading, bridge, and bowling is the freshman and sophomore counselor, Miss Janice Davidson. She attended Louisiana Tech and Northwestern State College where she received B.A. and M.Ed. degrees. She also has thirty hours above her Master's degree.



ANNA HOLMES MCGRAW

Having received B.A. and M.Ed. degrees from Centenary and Northwestern State, Mrs. Anna McGraw is the senior counselor. A few of her outside interests are traveling, reading, and cooking.

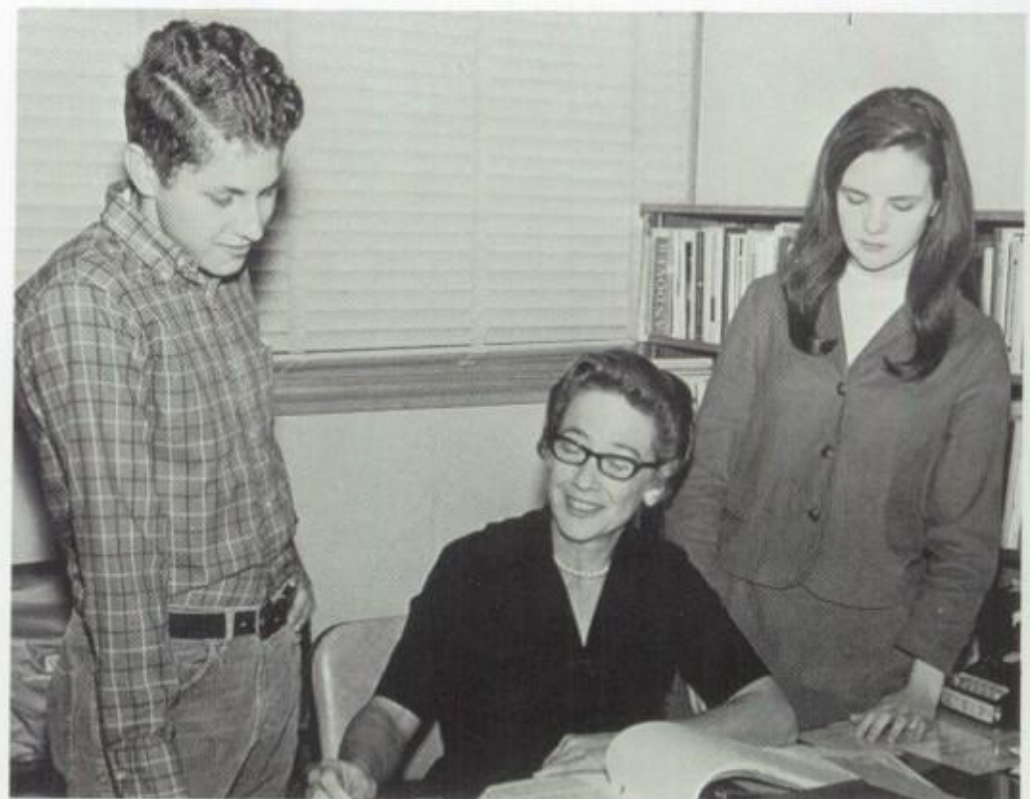


MARY CLYDE WINTLE

B.A.—Kansas State
M.A.—Stephen F. Austin

Mary Clyde Wintle, Byrd's Assistant Principal, is in charge of the academic curriculum. This includes classroom materials and studies, along with aids for the teacher. She worked with the counselors in assisting the students with their schedules for the following year. In addition, she supervised the varied testing programs given throughout the year and taught the Humanities course. Her spare time is taken up with her grandchildren, reading, traveling, and music.

Miss Janice Davidson, sophomore and freshman counselor, worked with Jim Morgan and Cathy Shriver to prepare their schedules for next year.



ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL and COUNSELORS



Allen Gaines received an appointment card from Mrs. Jackie Barr. He was then sent to get a Junior from his study hall to talk with this counselor.



New teachers having joined the faculty at mid-term were: Mr. Peter Huryn, teaching General Math and Geometry; Mrs. Norma Taylor, teaching Home Economics; and Mrs. Kay Crowe, teaching freshman and junior English. Mrs. Barbara Lochner also came to teach sophomore English.

Mrs. Mary Wintle and Mr. James White showed slides and explained them to students in the new Humanities class.



Mr. J. H. Duncan, displaying his Christmas spirit during the holidays, wore his vest festooned with a brightly sequined Santa Claus and his special holiday tie.



STAFF Efficiently Managed



HAZEL BROUSSARD

Most of the money entering or leaving the Byrd office passes through the competent hands of Mrs. Broussard, who attended Louisiana College. Her spare-time hobbies include reading, golf, and bridge.



DOTTIE A. GARRETT

Church work, designing, and sewing are among the interests of Mrs. Garrett, who helps with the enormous task of managing our cafeteria.



MARIAN McFERREN

Handling paperwork and records for Mr. Duncan is the responsibility of Mrs. McFerren, who also sends student transcripts to their selected colleges. During after-office hours she enjoys fishing and interior decorating.



JUANITA NISSEN

Serving as school registrar and counselor's secretary, Mrs. Nissen is a graduate of Shreveport Draughon Business College. She enjoys such outside activities as water skiing and fishing.

Could one imagine what Byrd would be like without its capable staff? No meals would be served in the cafeteria; no buses would run; no records or books would be kept; the halls and classrooms would accumulate dust and litter, and the heating system could break down and go unrepaired. The unheralded work of our hard-working staff is obviously necessary to the comfort and smooth operation of Byrd.

The cafeteria personnel have the awesome responsibility of preparing delicious, well-balanced meals for almost every student and teacher in the City of Byrd. Their job is made somewhat easier by the help of many cafeteria workers who keep an adequate supply of silverware, napkins, ice cream, and milk within easy reach of those being served. The cafeteria personnel also made holidays a little more festive with their charming decorations and colorful, specially-prepared meals.

Absentees, records, accounts, applications, and books were all handled by three efficient secretaries in the front office. Their heavy work load was considerably eased by the help of students who willingly gave up their study halls to run errands, type, and file in the office.

Responsible for the well-kept appearance of the building and the school grounds were the school engineers who were kept busy with many such jobs as keeping the classrooms clean and regulating the heating, lighting, and refrigeration systems.

Eager smiles of the waiting students were proof that another delicious meal was being served by the cafeteria personnel.



the City of Byrd



ORA W. ROBISON

Byrd's attendance secretary, Mrs. Robison attended Elliot's Business College. She enjoys knitting in her free time in addition to flowers and books.



Welcome additions to the faculty were the ladies who transported students to Byrd from areas out of our district. (Left) Mrs. Christina Adcock, who enjoys ceramics and antiques, drove the bus from Lambert Gardens and Southern Hills. Mrs. Billie Hutchinson brought students from the Wallace Lake and Keithville area. She enjoys fishing and sewing in her spare time.



GADDIS WARE

The heating and refrigeration systems of our school are managed by Mr. Ware, who tries to keep the classrooms and offices comfortable for everyone. He graduated from the Tri-State College in Indiana, where he received his B.S. degree.



LUCILLE WATERS

Past president of the Caddo Parish Food Service, Mrs. Waters is in charge of running our excellent cafeteria. Church and guild work occupy most of her spare time.



All school funds were kept safe and secure by the office vault, which Mrs. Hazel Broussard closed at the end of a busy day.

A rare, quiet moment was caught between errands by office workers Mary Mika, Marsha Robertson, and Ken Thomas.



Computers Modernized BUSINESS EDUCATION



Competition is keen in the business world of today, as the skills required of secretaries and bookkeepers grow more complicated, and the use of new machines increases steadily. The Business Education Department of Byrd, sensitive to these changes, concentrated on equipping students with the skill and knowledge necessary for success in such a world. A total of seven courses round out the Department's curricula and provided sound business foundations for participating students.

Typing I was a course of fundamentals and techniques while the second year of typing involved practice drills to increase speed and accuracy.

Accuracy and speed, the two most important characteristics of a good typist, could only be improved by constant practice with such drills as the ones Miss Earline Jordan's students used daily.

Dictaphones are widely used in modern offices to record dictation until the secretary is able to type up the information. Clerical practice students, Judy Cohen, Camille Sample, and Nancy Coats practiced taking shorthand from the dictaphone.



EVELYN H. CARMICHAEL

Interested in people, clothes, and flower arrangements, Mrs. Carmichael teaches clerical practice and typewriting. She also has her B.S. and M.S. degrees, having studied at Northeast, Northwestern, and Stephen F. Austin State College.



An array of forms, machines, and students filled the clerical practice room during the showing of a film about new business methods and practices.



EARLINE JORDAN

Reading, music and bridge are the after-school interests of Miss Jordan, teacher of shorthand and typing II at Byrd. B.A. and M.A. degrees have been awarded to Miss Jordan, who has attended Louisiana Tech, Peabody College, and Northwestern State College.

Curricula

The ability to take dictation rapidly and efficiently, so valuable to secretaries, was taught in shorthand I and II with the aid of modern dictaphones. Business English students learned to write all types of business letters as well as studying grammar in detail. A course in clerical practice was also offered to teach the use of such conveniences as adding machines. Cooperative office education was another business program which trained seniors in the business field who attended classes in the morning and took office jobs in the afternoon. Data processing also prepared students for work in modern offices.

All these courses offered a full business education to the student body of Byrd and trained them efficiently for the future.



Thorough drilling in grammar and writing business letters was taught to each student in Mrs. Treba Vallery's Business English classes.

Any good bookkeeper is proficient in the use of adding machines such as the one Andrew Hall used to expedite his calculations. Mrs. Treba Vallery stood ready to help Andrew while Claire Jackson waited her turn at the machine.



Computers are becoming increasingly important in today's business world. Kitty Kirkpatrick practiced using a modern data processing machine.



EDNA JEWEL MORGAN

Typewriting is taught by Mrs. Morgan who also sponsors the Future Teachers of America. She holds her B.A. degree, which she received from Northwestern State College.



TREBA VALLERY

A graduate of Northwestern State College, Mrs. Treba Vallery holds a B.S. degree. Sewing and gardening fill her hours not occupied with teaching Business English, bookkeeping and typewriting I.



D.E. and DRIVING Offered Useful Skills



JAMES RIFE

Teaching Driver's Education is Mr. James Rife. He attended Louisiana Tech, University of Mississippi, University of Arkansas, and Northwestern State College where he received a B.S. and Master's degree. His spare time is occupied with sports and fishing.



ALICE STRAVOLEMOS

Enjoying tennis and swimming in her spare time, Mrs. Stravolemos teaches Distributive and Cooperative Office Education. She received a B.S. degree from Centenary College and sponsors the D.E. and C.O.E. Clubs at Byrd.



Rich Leber and Mr. James Rife demonstrated the correct use of the shoulder harness in the new Driver's Education car as John Theo awaited his turn to drive.

Helping to prepare the teen-ager for the perils of modern driving is the Driver's Education Department at Byrd. Taught by Mr. James Rife, the students learned the techniques of defensive driving and the ways of preventing accidents. Driving by teens has steadily increased over the years and the Driver's Education Department has tried to make younger drivers safer drivers.

Having spent half of a day at school, the Distributive Education students departed to perform their jobs at various establishments. Mrs. Alice Stravolemos conducted the Classroom sessions for this Department. The students who took part in the on-the-job training were better prepared to accept positions in the business world.

Participants in a Distributive Education class looked on as Vicki Valentine and Joan Crain pointed out certain aspects of a bulletin board display.



Communication: a child reads his first word; a man addresses a luncheon club; a new book is published; a student discovers the ideas of Henry David Thoreau. Our society is filled with communication in all its many forms. The need to transmit and exchange ideas is evidently an intrinsic one, one vital to successful living in today's world. So the English faculty of Byrd strives to equip students with the necessary tools and skills for this communication, to train them in listening, speaking, writing, and appreciative reading. Building on the foundation provided in primary and junior-high schools, the four English courses concentrate on developing a critical approach to literature and "polishing" the students' literary skills.

Freshman English includes basic grammar studies as well as the reading of *Great Expectations* by Charles Dickens. The sophomore year deals with even more detailed grammar and sentence structures, in addition to the study of such literature as *Silas Marner*, *Julius Caesar*, and *The Idylls of the King*. Then, in Junior English, the student learns about the development of American literature and undertook his first research paper. Finally, during his senior year, he discovers the heritage of English literature and reviews all grammar and literary terms he has ever studied. The English Department of Byrd has high academic standards and students graduating from this Department will have truly learned to communicate with their fellow man.

ENGLISH Developed Communication Arts

Self-confidence and poise are two of the many traits developed by Speech I. Mary Terrill practiced expressing her opinion in a speech on Red China.



MAMIE BREAZEALE

Bridge and her grandchildren occupy much of the spare time of Mrs. Breazeale, who teaches English II and sponsors the Business staff of the "High Life." She holds both her B.A. and M.A. degrees, having studied at Centenary College, L.S.U., and Chicago University.

VIRGINIA CHADICK

Sponsor of the NHS, Miss Chadick teaches English II and Civics. She received her B.A. and Master's Degree in Education from L.S.U. and the University of Arkansas. Her outside interests include travel and spectator sports.



Mrs. Barbara Lockner lectured to her freshman English class on the two very important skills of good listening and note-taking.



JUNE BOOGAERTS

Teaching English III and IV, Mrs. June Boogaerts lists golf and piano among her outside interests. She attended Louisiana Tech where she received her B.A. degree.

MAX EDMONSON

Speech and Debate are both taught by Mr. Edmonson who also sponsors the National Forensic League. Holding a B.A. degree from the University of Washington, he enjoys gardening in his spare time.



ENGLISH Encouraged Self-Expression



GLENDA HARKNESS

Water skiing and reading are only two of the many interests of Mrs. Harkness who teaches English IV. She graduated from Louisiana Tech with a B.A. degree.



CHRISTA R. IRVINE

Mrs. Irvine, who teaches Humanities and English IV, received her B.A. degree from Louisiana Tech. Her after-school interests include reading and sewing.



NANCY LONNEGAN

Although teaching English II occupies most of her time, Mrs. Lonnegan also has many outside interests. She has received a B.A. degree in English and has attended Henderson State Teacher's College, the University of Texas, and the University of New Mexico.



A lively discussion on the characteristics and merits of William Shakespeare's Globe Theater took place between Mrs. Glenda Harkness and English IV students Pat Jones, Pat Crook, Ellen Campbell, and Phil Boswell.

Concentration was reflected in the faces of these sophomores as they listened to Mrs. Marion Baldwin explain, with the aid of an overhead projector, the history of word derivation.



Through Reading and Research



MARY S. McCLANAHAN

When she is not busy grading papers or preparing lessons, Mrs. McClanahan enjoys sewing, reading, and swimming. She holds a B.S. degree, having attended Hardin-Simmons University and Centenary College.



LARRY RAMBIN

When not busy teaching journalism and physical education or sponsoring the "High Life," Coach Rambin likes to go hunting, fishing, and camping. Having attended Northeast Louisiana State College and the University of Florida, he holds a B.S. degree.

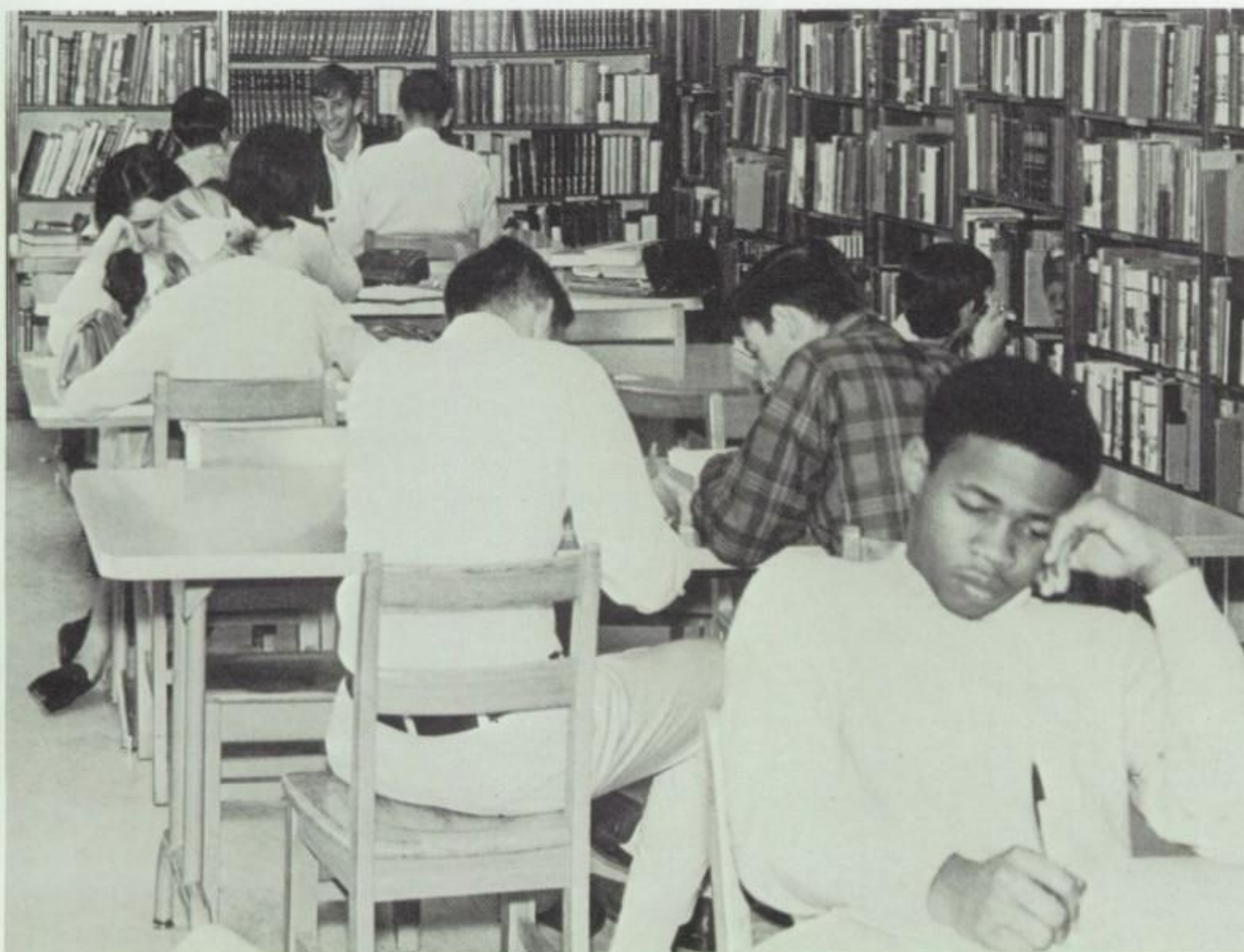
Diagrams such as the one being prepared by Christy Johnston and Pam Brown are often used by English teachers to help their classes understand sentence structures.



MARGE ALEAN SANDERS

An avid fan of detective stories, Miss Margee Sanders, who holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Louisiana Tech, is kept busy by her duties as a teacher of English IV and sponsor of the Editorial Staff of the GUSHER.

Every junior and senior faced the awesome task of preparing a well-organized research paper from the wealth of information in our school library. Worried frowns accompanied by stacks of note-cards were in evidence everywhere throughout the school.



Mural Depicting Facets of Byrd



DIANNE DUNN

Miss Dianne Dunn, Byrd's Audio-Visual Librarian, was graduated from Northwestern State College with a B.A. degree. Her hobbies include collecting books, records, and small antiques.



ROBERT F. GRAMBLING

Teaching Band and Orchestra, Mr. Grambling received B.M. and M.Ed. degrees from Louisiana State University and Southeastern Louisiana College. One of his outside interests is amateur radios.



JOHNNIE JORDAN

Receiving a B.A. and an M.A. degree from N.S.C., Centenary, and the University of Mississippi, Mrs. Jordan teaches Art. She sponsors the Brush and Palette Club and in her spare time enjoys painting, sculpturing, and reading.



Miss Dianne Dunn, Visual Aids Librarian, sorted some films as Kendy Ellis prepared to locate a magazine.



Preparing to leave for Northeast State College in Monroe were several of the members of the Stage Band.

Members of the Byrd Concert Choir listened attentively during their class period to recordings by famed choirs.



Displayed by FINE ARTS Department



CHARLES E. RICHEY

With piano tuning as an outside interest, Mr. Richey teaches Voice. He received B.S. and M.M. degrees from Northwestern and Louisiana State University. Presently he is President of the Shreveport Piano Technician's Guild.

Covering a wide range of topics is the Fine Arts Department at Byrd. The Orchestra and Stage Band come under this heading. They were guided by Mr. Robert F. Grambling and performed for the student body on several occasions. The members traveled out-of-town to compete and represented Byrd well.

Also a sub-topic under Fine Arts are the Choral and Art sections. Mr. Charles Richey headed the Choral Department and directed the Concert Choir. The choir traveled to many choral festivals and represented Byrd well in solos as well as ensembles. Mrs. Johnnie Jordan instructed all classes of art at Byrd this year. This division sponsored the painting of a mural on the basement wall which depicted the innumerable facets of Byrd. They also displayed artwork done by the students in a local mall and in the Byrd cafeteria.

The main library and the audio-visual library are covered under the Fine Arts topic. Mrs. Lucille Tindol and Miss Dianne Dunn are in charge of the two libraries respectively.



LUCILLE TINDOL

Enjoying reading, cooking, being with young people, and her grandchildren, Mrs. Tindol is the head librarian. She holds a B.A. and a B.S. in Library Science from Centenary and the University of North Carolina with graduate work at the University of Colorado, L.S.U., and Louisiana Tech.

Cecilia Robertson and Harriett Jennette constructed eagles to be used as centerpieces for a local banquet as Susan Fleming prepared the paste.



Mr. Robert Grambling directed the Band in the playing of "The Star-Spangled Banner" during the R.O.T.C. assembly.



One of the newest additions to the Latin Department was a full-color map of ancient Rome with the locations of all important temples and public buildings. Inspecting the new arrival were Patti Robison and Elizabeth Eglin.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE Department

Floppy sombreros, bullfights, the Eiffel Tower, side walk cafes, classic temples, chariots ... the cultures of other lands have always held fascination for students exploring the world around them. Increased communications and improved transportation between the peoples of different nations have made the study of foreign languages an asset to any student's education. So the Foreign Language Department of Byrd provides ten courses for the benefit of all students: Spanish I, II, and III; French I, II, and III; and Latin I, II, III, and IV.

The first year of each language includes a study of basic vocabulary and grammatical structures, expanded in the second year to translations and a study of the respective country's literature.



Snoopy, French, and Harriet Jennette combined to make a charming door decoration which proclaimed, "Christmas Is a Happy Season."

Holiday customs of the Mexican people were included in the interest studies of Spanish students. Judy Coker and Denise Gauthier wondered about the contents of this gaily-decorated pinata.



The third and fourth years of study give the student a deeper insight into the culture and literature of France, Mexico, and Rome and bring out the fine grammatical points not previously presented.

In addition to a broader scope of the world and an increased understanding of English, the student gains an insight into the lives of people everywhere. The extracurricular clubs of Le Cercle Francais, Pan American Forum, Los Vecinos, and the Latin Forum meet once a month after school to present guest speakers, films, and various programs which provide even more enjoyment to all members.

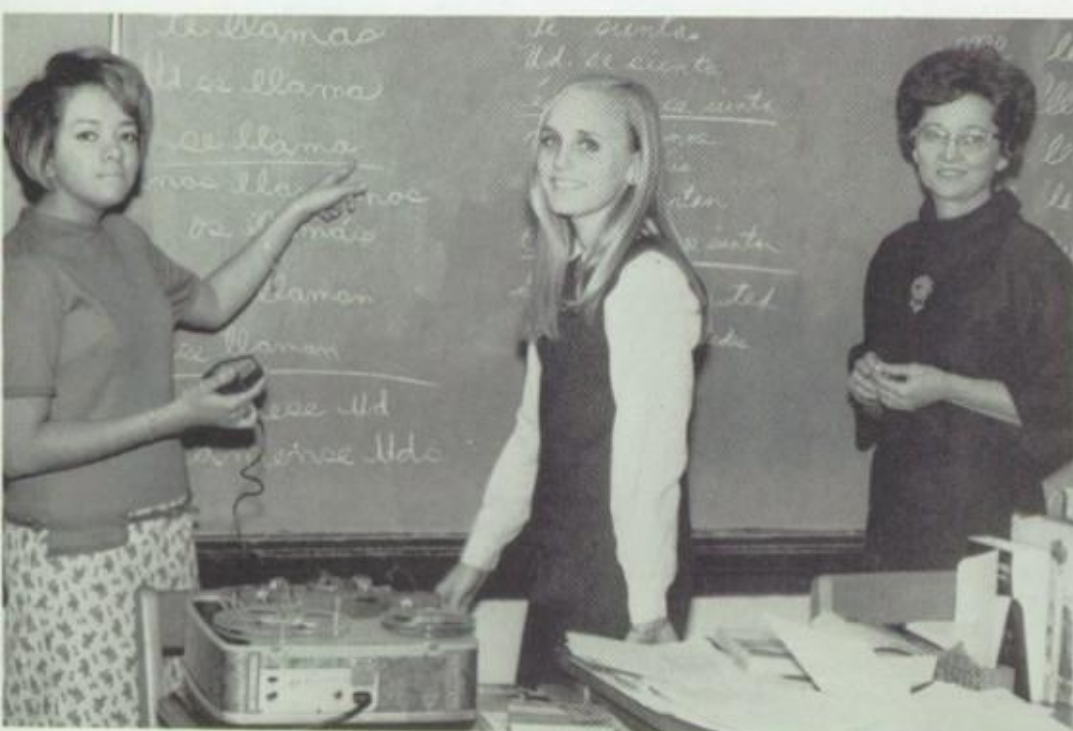
Absorbed in the fascinating exercise of rereading French magazines were Leslie Holder and Stephanie Woolhandler, both French III students.



IRBIE LAWRENCE

Reading, sewing, and traveling occupy the spare time of Mrs. Irbie Lawrence, teacher of Spanish I, II, III and sponsor of the Pan-American Forum and Los Vecinos. Mrs. Lawrence holds B.A. and M.A. degree, having attended Northwestern State College, Centenary, and Instituto De-Monterrey Tec in Mexico.

Opened Doors to New Cultures



Mrs. Irbie Lawrence helped Linda Hartwell and Stephanie Watkins in their study of Spanish reflexive verbs and the present tense with the aid of the ever-useful tape recorder.



IRMA ROBINSON

Miss Irma Robinson, who enjoys travel and cooking, holds an A.B. degree from N.S.C. and a M.A. degree from Columbia University. In addition to teaching Latin I, II, III, and IV, Miss Robinson is the very active sponsor of the Latin Forum.



JANE RUCKER

In addition to teaching French I, II, and III, Miss Jane Rucker somehow finds time to enjoy swimming and horseback riding. She holds a B.A. degree which she received from Northwestern State College.

Miss Irma Robinson, Betsy Gresham, Myra Linebarrier, and Elaine Rainey checked the handmade chariot before its final entry in National Latin Week competition.



HOME ECONOMICS and INDUSTRIAL ARTS



SYLVIA McLAIN

Graduated with a B.S. degree from N.S.C. and L.S.U. is Mrs. Sylvia McLain. She teaches Home Economics I and Home and Family Living, and sponsors the Future Homemakers of America. Her outside interests include interior decorating, sewing, camping, and skiing.



Participating in the Home Economics style show, Elgin Mosley modeled a dress of her own creation.

Helping to prepare young ladies for the lives most will lead is the Home Economics Department. The household skills of sewing and cooking involve more than meets the eye. There are tailor tacks to be made, seams to be bound, hems to be faced, and basting to be put in before a dress is ready to be worn. There are cholesterol counts to be considered, starch contents to be evaluated, nutritional values of a meal to be thought about, and timings for cooking to be worked out. All these basic abilities are coordinated into different courses in Home Economics. These courses range from Home Economics I-IV to Home and Family Living. Mrs. Sylvia McLain taught the classes for the first semester, while Mrs. Norma Taylor instructed the last session. The Home Economics Department at Byrd is certainly doing its part in making the homemakers of tomorrow some of the best.



Mrs. Sylvia McLain carried the silver tea service to another part of the apartment in preparation for the tea the students had.



Members of a Home Economics I class prepared a table and used food cooked by themselves. After this preparation, each girl ate the foods she had fixed.

An important part of every Home Economics course is the study of meal preparation. The girls learned to plan balanced diets by the "Basic Seven" method.



Broadened Knowledge and Skills

Divided into two sections, woodworking and mechanical drawing, is Byrd's Industrial Arts Department. Mr. Hilrey Holman instructs the woodworking classes, while Mr. Lowell Brown teaches mechanical drawing. Woodworking involves the use of specialized machines, such as a lathe, to construct all types of wood articles. Students are always making objects, both useful and artistic, to add beauty to their homes. Mechanical drawing consists of plans and blueprints, compasses, and rulers. Boys continually draw plans in the form of skilled engineers. Their work is very exacting and constitutes almost perfect precision. Both woodworking and mechanical drawing further man's knowledge of practical skills which can be used to a great advantage in later life.



LOWELL L. BROWN, JR.

An active sports fan outside the classroom, Mr. Lowell Brown teaches Mechanical Drawing at Byrd. He received his B.S. degree from Northwestern State College.

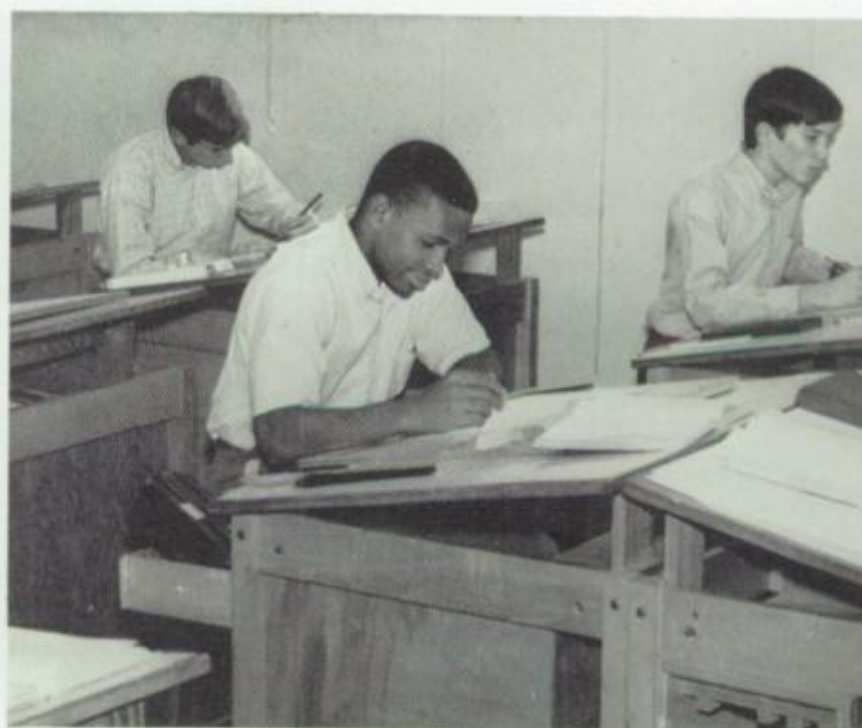


HILREY F. HOLMAN

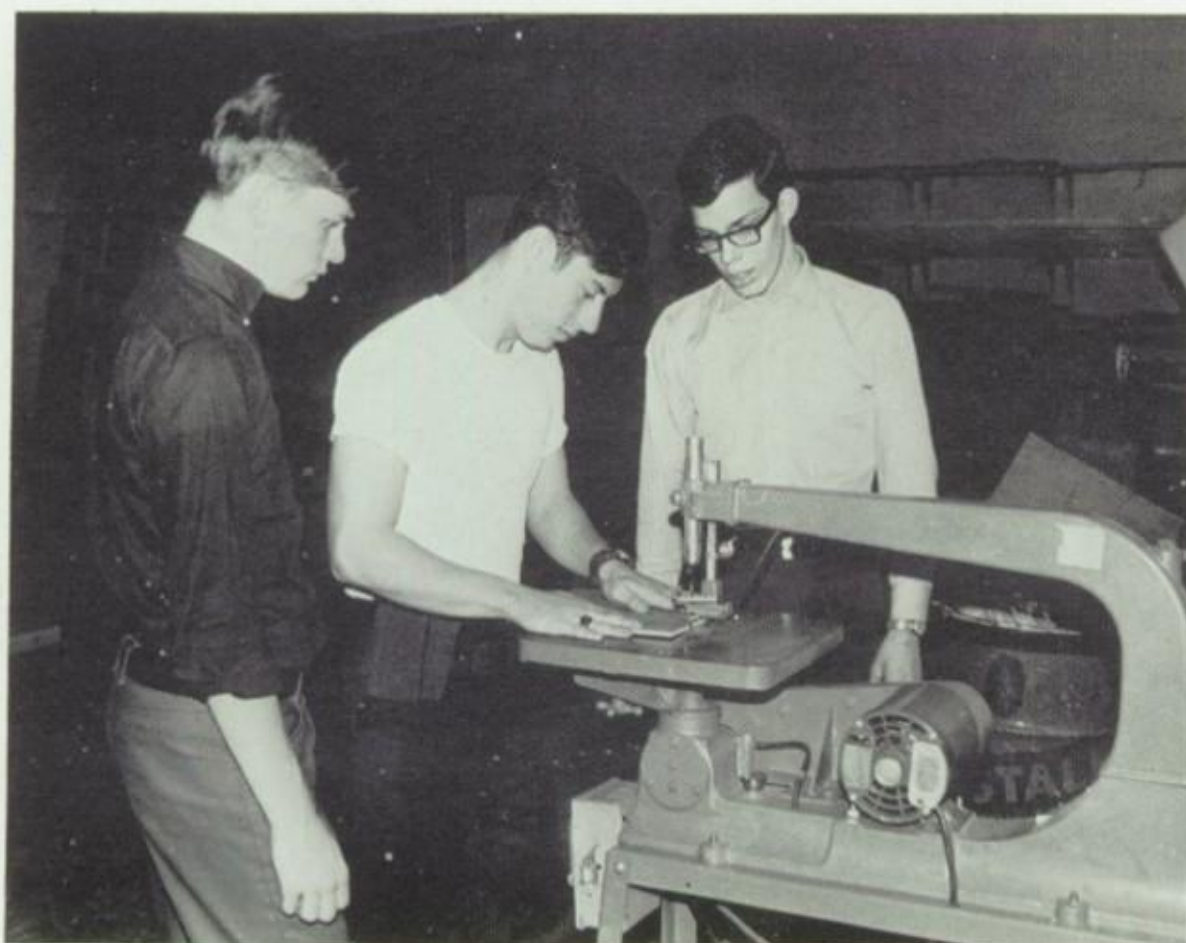
The new sponsor of the Interact Club Mr. Hilrey Holman, attended N.S.C. and the University of Arkansas where he received B.S. and M.Ed. degrees. Teaching woodwork, he enjoys fishing, hunting, and tinkering.



Showing a continual interest in the industrial arts, Randy Scoggin, Jimmy Trichel, and Tom Ham observed a power saw at the Louisiana State Fair.



Steve Barrett, Anderson Johnson, and Mike Bankston worked on plans for the house of their design in the mechanical drawing class.



Steve Carlson, Tony D'Anna, and Keenan McConnico worked with a wood cutting instrument in the woodworking room using the greatest amount of safety.

MATHEMATICS Sponsored



LOTTIE COOPER

Reading and sewing take up most of Mrs. Lottie Cooper's spare time. Teaching business mathematics, she attended Southern University where she received a Bachelor of Science degree.



JOSEPH B. DORNIER

While teaching advanced math and accelerated math IV occupy his school time, fishing occupies Mr. Dornier's spare time. He was graduated from Louisiana State University with B.S. and M. Ed. degrees.



JOHNNY C. HARKNESS

Having been awarded B.S. and M.Ed. degrees from Louisiana College and Mississippi State, Mr. Harkness teaches algebra I and accelerated geometry. One of his interests outside of Byrd is golf.



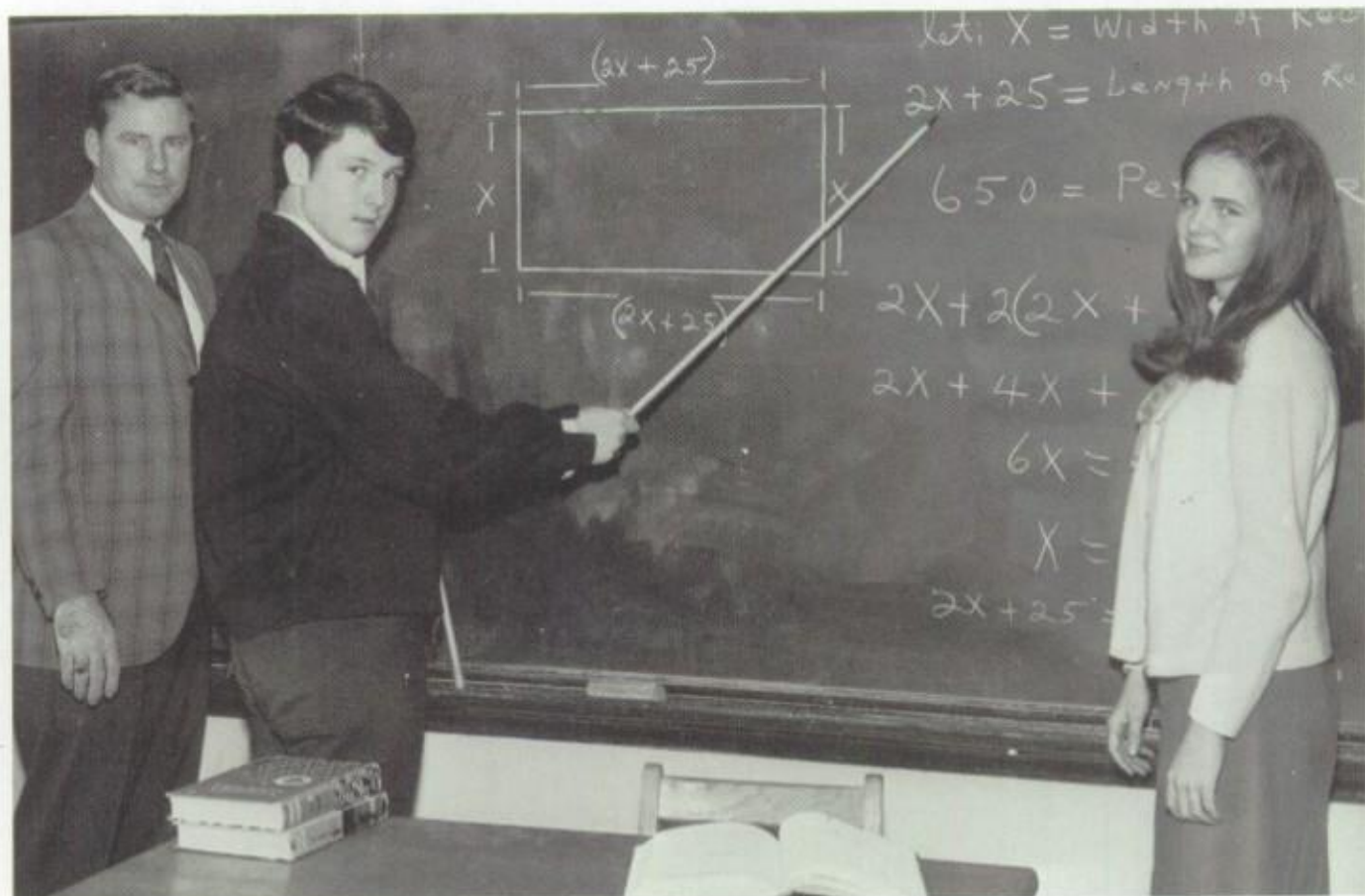
BEATRICE J. JAMES

Other than teaching mathematics, Mrs. James enjoys swimming, sewing, and reading. She received her B.S. and M.S. degrees from Grambling College and the University of Santa Clara.



Roxie Cariere reviewed a Business Math lesson as Katie Parks, Nelson Cameron, Gary Whitener, and Jere Overdyke listened closely and corrected their homework.

Mrs. Sally Moody explained a homework problem through the use of an overhead projector.



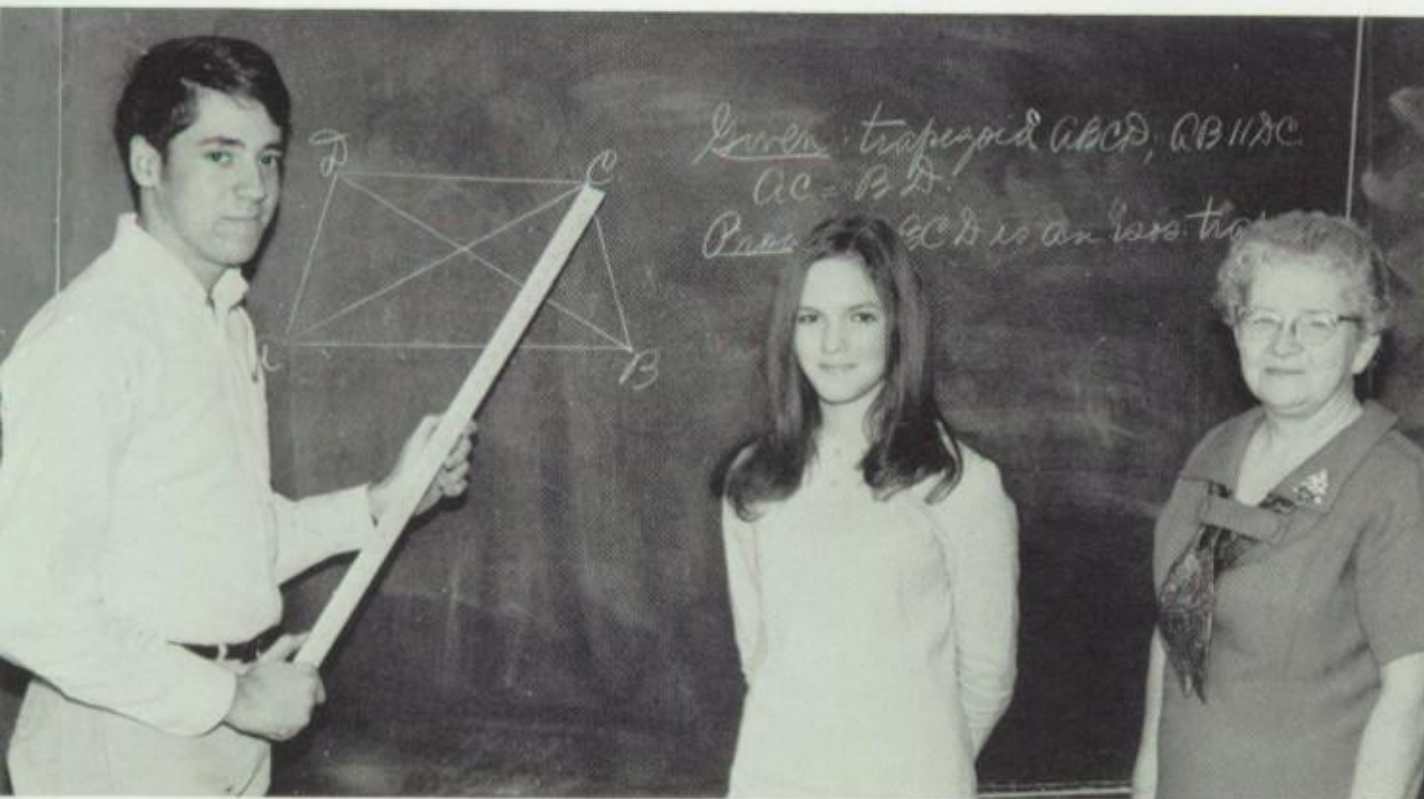
Mike Williams pointed out the solution to an equation to Cathy Shriver as Mr. Johnny Harkness checked for mistakes.

National Math Exam

Dodecahedrons, functions, quadratic equations, multiplicative inverses—this is Mathematics. With six courses to choose from, the student has a wide range of study. The courses offered at Byrd in 1968-69 were business arithmetic, general mathematics, Algebra I, geometry, Algebra II, and advanced math. Business arithmetic teaches the student fundamentals of mathematics which prove extremely useful in the business field. General mathematics provides a foundation upon which to build further math studies. Beginning the study of formulas and equations is done in the course of Algebra I. Studying figures, theorems, and proofs is one of the main aspects of geometry. Algebra II builds upon the base formed in Algebra I, including a furthered study of graphs. Advanced math delves into the study of trigonometric functions and more complex algebra work. As shown, the field of mathematics is wide open and constantly expanding.



Teachers devote time for individual assistance to the student. Miss Jerry Malone worked with Herby Rubenstein on an Algebra II problem.



Lee Morris and Julie Weimar used the blackboard to work a geometric proof with the help of Mrs. Edna Martin.

JERRY MALONE

Presently enrolled in L.S.U. Graduate School, Miss Jerry Malone received a B.A. Degree in Math from Centenary. She teaches Algebra II and sponsors the Student Council. Her outside interests include reading, music, and travel.

EDNA POPE MARTIN

Teaching Geometry and Algebra I occupy most of Mrs. Martin's time. She attended Shorter College and Stephen F. Austin where she received her B.A. and M.Ed. degrees.

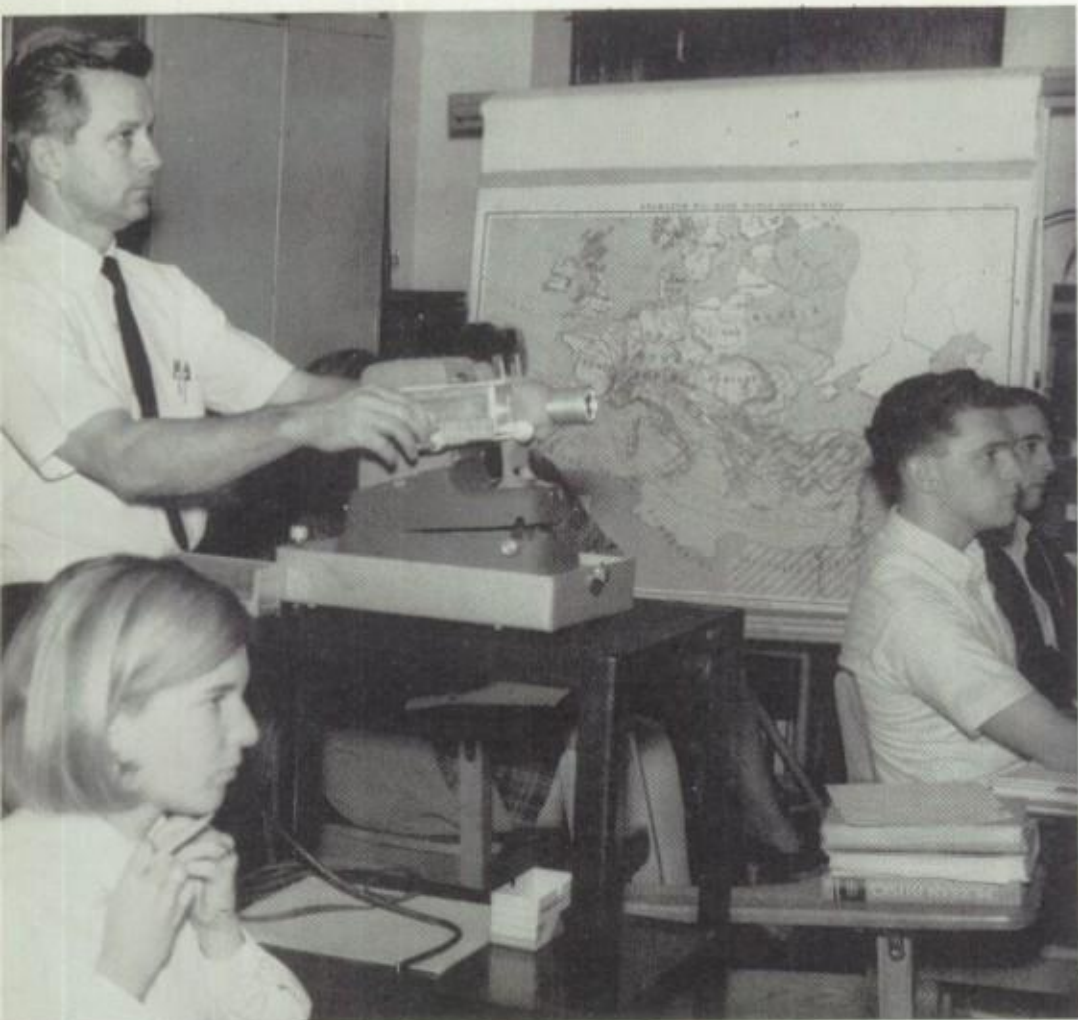
SALLY N. MOODY

While not stamp collecting, sewing, or reading, Mrs. Moody teaches Algebra II and Math III. She attended N.S.C. and Centenary and received a B.S. degree in Mathematics. Mrs. Moody sponsors the Math Club, Mu Alpha Theta, Jr. Class and is a co-sponsor of the Pep Squad.

E. ASHE YOUNG

Having left Byrd to join the Army after the first six weeks, Mr. Young taught Business Math and Geometry. He is a graduate of Louisiana State University and Stephen F. Austin with B.S. and M.Ed. degrees.





Films dealing with Renaissance art captured the intense interest of Susan White, Leroy Foster, Alan Prater, and teacher Mr. James White during a meeting of the new humanities class.

Society, and therefore the needs of today's students, is constantly changing and growing. To keep pace with the rapid expansion of knowledge and increased demands made on young people after they leave high school, the curricula at Byrd has been increased this year by the addition of two new subjects: humanities and a three-hour technical drafting course. Each course was specially designed to fill a specific need of a part of Byrd's student body.

Humanities, taught by Mrs. Christa Irvine, Mr. Charles E. Richey, Mr. James White, and Mrs. Mary Wintle, is an exercise in thinking, in learning the basic concepts of Western philosophy. Students were given reading assignments covering a wide range of literature, from ancient Greek philosophy to modern scientific theories. Little emphasis being placed on grades, the participants were encouraged to work at their own speed.

The new vocational drafting course at Byrd was geared to fit the needs of students interested in drafting as a career. The class, taught by Mr. Lowell Brown, held during the first three periods of the morning, with participants being exempt from physical education. Each student works at his own speed, and several seniors held jobs with local firms, receiving on-the-spot training. Graduates of this new course will be well-equipped to pursue their chosen career.

New Drafting Course was Only One in the State

Careful measurements and accurate drawing are very important part of any drafting course. Will McCennico frowned with concentration while making just such a measurement.



Preparing students for a future in drafting, this vocational course at Byrd was a new learning experience.

R.O.T.C. Organized Flag and Saber Team



Private First Class Jack McCuen was checked by Sergeant Charles Bryant to see if he was dressed as a proper cadet in the R.O.T.C. should be.

Helping to prepare today's young men for the military obligations which they must meet is the Byrd Military Science Program. The cadets, ranked from Private to Cadet Lieutenant Colonel, learned skills which will prove invaluable to them in later years. Some are taught marksmanship proficiency, while others are trained in the fine execution of drills. Students of Military Science learn to respect their government and display the patriotism often lacking in today's society. The Department is commanded by three retired Army Sergeants, who are always at Byrd, and Colonel Henry Turner who oversees all Shreveport R.O.T.C. programs.



SGT. LLOYD BOYCE

Having attended Washington State University, Sergeant Boyce teaches Military Science. A few of his outside interests include hunting, fishing, and officiating softball, baseball, football, and basketball games.

John Zenter, Terry Street, and John Farley of the Patton Platoon had the stacking of their rifles inspected by Sergeant Charles Bryant.



Members of the Byrd R.O.T.C. proudly displayed the ten flags of Louisiana, presented by Miss Mattie Gray Brown to Byrd during the Veteran's Day parade.



SGT. CHARLES BRYANT

Teaching Military Science at Byrd, Sergeant Bryant also sponsors the R.O.T.C. Drill Team and Saber Team. Coming second to these activities, he loves to play golf.



SGT. DAVID YERTON

Sponsoring the R.O.T.C. Rifle Team and the NCO Club is Sergeant Yerton. He currently instructs cadets in the skills of Military Science. All sports are enjoyed by Sergeant Yerton in his spare moments.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION Department



MARY W. BURROUGHS

Teaching sophomores and juniors P.E., Mrs. Burroughs holds her B.A. degree and has attended Centenary and L.S.U. In addition to sponsoring the 4-H Club and serving as reporter for the Caddo P.E. Teacher's Association, she likes to sew, read, and play tennis.



FABOL P. DURHAM

Mrs. Durham teaches health and P.E. to seniors. She has attended L.S.U., Texas Woman's University, Northwestern State College, and Louisiana Tech, and holds her B.S. degree. Mrs. Durham has the unusual hobby of collecting plate block stamps.



PHALAMAE C. GRAY

Mrs. Gray is teacher of senior health and P.E. and sponsor of the J.M.L. and the Business Staff of the GUSHER. She has attended Northwestern State College and the University of Arkansas, and has received her B.S. and M.Ed. degrees. Her hobbies include fishing and hunting.



EARL HAMNER

Coach Hamner teaches senior P.E. and sponsors the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. He obtained his B.S. degree from Louisiana Tech and his M.S. degree from L.S.U. Golf and tennis are two of his favorite sports.

Football, basketball, archery, hockey, tennis, dancing, track, health ... the wide curricula of Byrd's Physical Education Department presents a challenge to every student involved in its activities. The program is designed to improve the student's physical condition as well as his sense of cooperation and team effort, and many dedicated faculty members strove to achieve this end through skillful channeling of the students' abundant energy.

If running around the track and up the hill several times doesn't tire out the boys P.E. classes, there are always games of volleyball, baseball, basketball, and football, as well as gymnastics and weight-lifting to absorb energy and develop muscles. The girls' program is a little less strenuous, involving tennis, dancing, field hockey, basketball, and a course in social hygiene for seniors. There is also six-weeks of classroom instruction on first aid, health, or safety presented each year to both girls' and boys' classes.

The personal fitness encouraged by our P.E. Department has proved invaluable to students, for a healthy body has always been important for personal well-being, and it provides the vitality to face the problems of living.

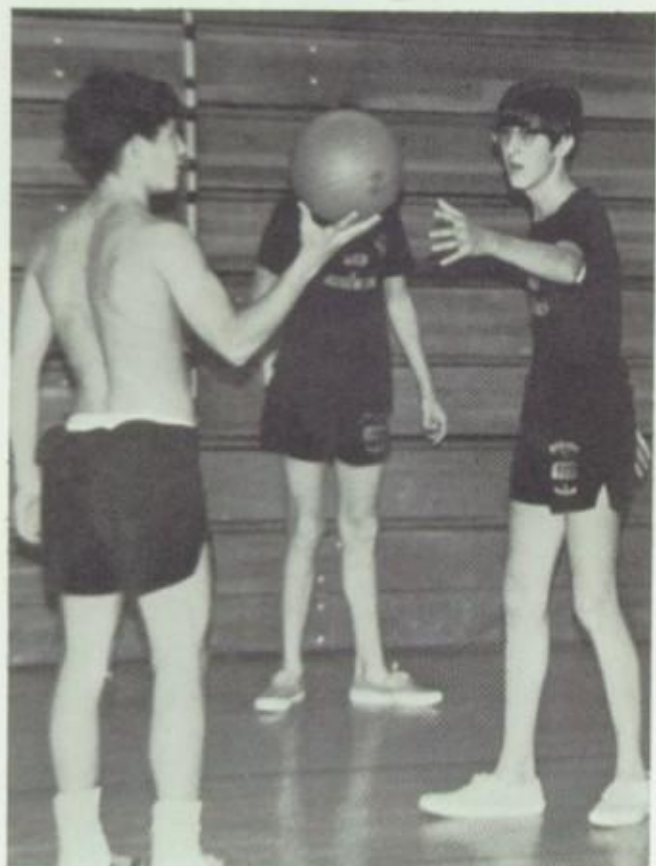


Teamwork is an important part of any volleyball game, as this Boys' P.E. class quickly learned in their morning sessions.



Poise, grace, and better posture were the objectives of such exercises as the one this senior girls' class performed.

Stressed Exercise and Recreation



Inclement weather sometimes forces gym classes indoors for games or gymnastics. On a typical gray, rainy day the sophomores handed the ball out of bounds to start a lively basketball game.



It was a toss-up for the ball in a highly competitive game in the big gym, as Mrs. Mary Burroughs (*left*) prepared to call a close play. The girls were caught in some strange positions as they strove for possession of the ball. The team in pinnies recovered the ball and went on to win the game.

L. A. KAHLDEN

Teaching for the sixth year at Byrd, Coach Kahlden gives the experience of his B.S. degree from L.S.U. and M.A. degree from Louisiana Tech to his sophomore and junior boys' P.E. classes. His outside interests include all sports, especially hunting.



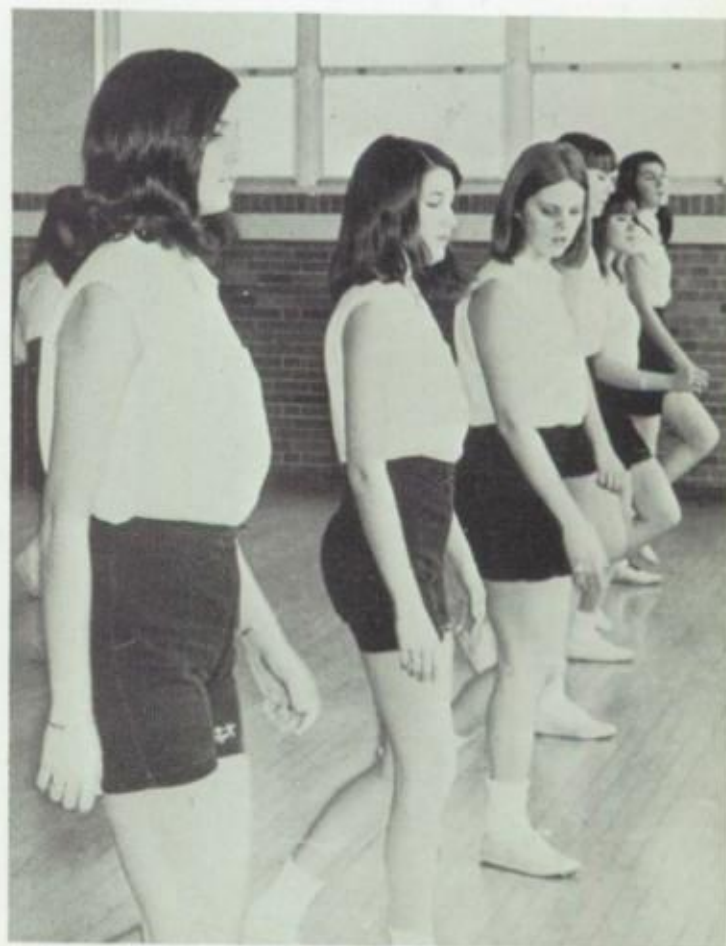
JAMES G. HARRISON

Having attended Louisiana Tech, Centenary, and the University of the South, Coach Harrison teaches physical education and is head football coach. In his spare time he enjoys playing tennis and golf.



FLORENCE W. HOLLOWAY

Active sponsor of the Pep Squad, Mrs. Holloway also manages a junior girls' P.E. class. She holds a B.S. degree from Northwestern State College and included sewing and camping in her list of outside interests.



Kathleen Brock, Marsha Robertson, Ivy Hedgecock, Bonnie Kupper, Laura Mercer, and Ruth Cassard formed an informal "chorus line" as they learned a new dance step.



JERROLD J. McLAURIN

Enjoying his first year at Byrd, Coach McLaurin is kept busy by his duties as Key Club sponsor, coach, and health and P.E. teacher. His many outside interests include stamp collecting, woodwork, hunting, and fishing.



New Horizons Revealed Through

Ancient astrologers gazed at the stars in wonder and awe, dreaming fantastic dreams about those tiny lights so far away. Today the same curiosity and wonder has led scientists to explore these very stars, as well as every aspect of our earth, large or small. To introduce the budding scientist or interested student to this exciting world of science and prepare him for further advancement in any of the rapidly-growing scientific fields, Byrd offers four distinctive science courses to its student body: general science, biology, chemistry, and physics.

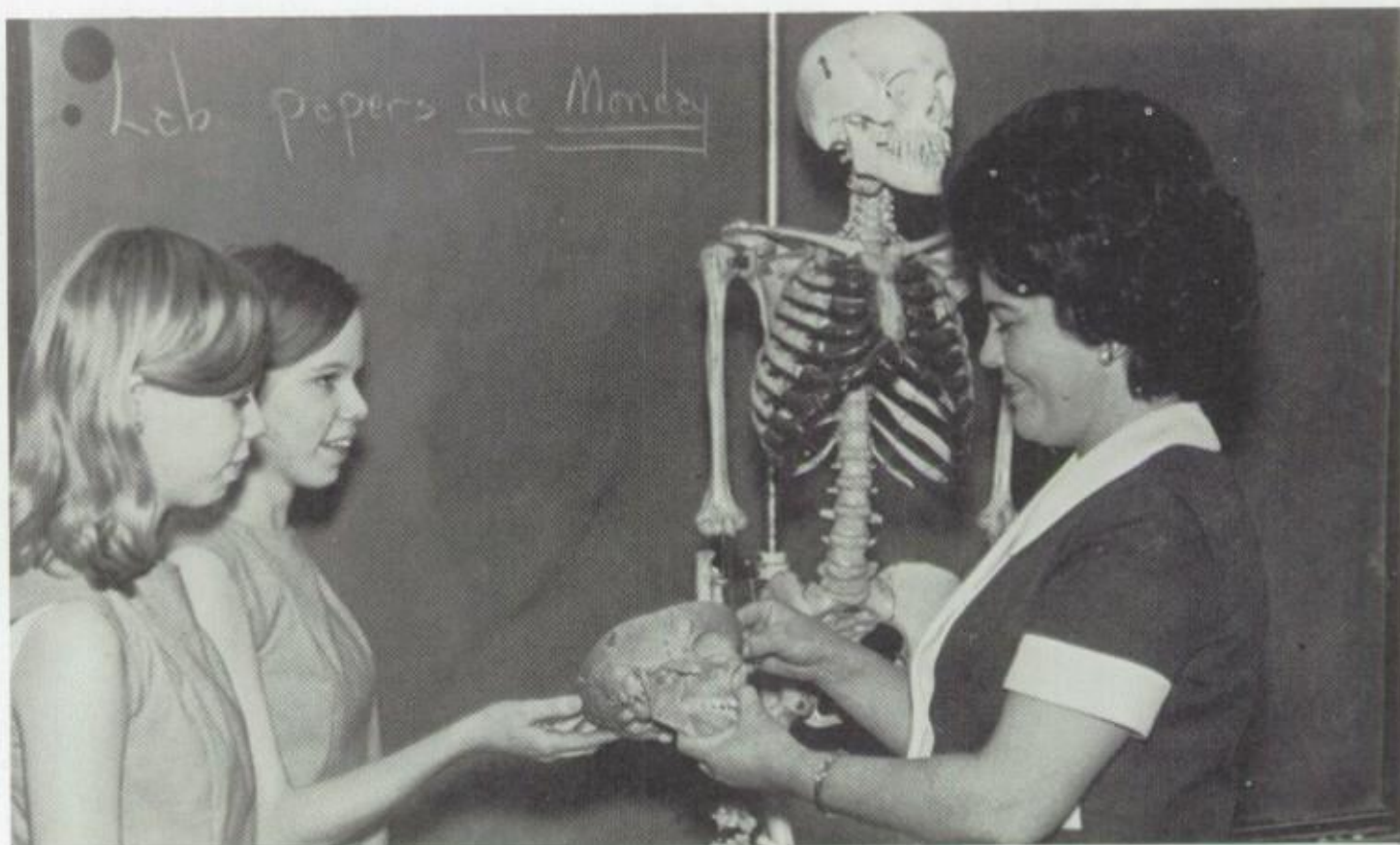
General science is the most fundamental course, serving as a foundation for all further study. The basic principles of meteorology, geology, electricity, chemistry, and many other fields are included. Then, through the study of biology, the fascinating world of living organisms, ranging in size from simple

protozoa to complex mammals, is revealed. Well-equipped dissecting kits and modern microscopes are available to each student. Chemistry is the branch of sciences dealing with substances and their physical relationships. The chemistry student performs many experiments as well as learning the basic principles behind chemical reactions. Going even further into the study of today's world, the physics student learns about light, velocity, electricity, and other natural forces.

On the whole, Byrd's science department is an excellent one, evidenced by the fact that Byrd was one of thirty schools in the nation chosen to attend a science conference at Washington and Lee University. The department uses the latest methods to enable students to understand and deal with their world, while attempting to satisfy that age-old curiosity.

LEONARD S. CONOVER

Biology, chemistry, and general science are taught by Mr. Leonard Conover. He has both his B.S. and M.S. degrees, having studied at L.S.U., Madison College, Ohio State University, and Peabody University. His extra time outside the classroom is occupied by astronomy, chess, reading, and gardening.



Miss Jean Ponder employed human skulls and an actual skeleton to dramatize human anatomy for biology students Linda and Glenda Weaver.

CORRIE V. JOHNSON

Having received her B.S. degree from Centenary and her M.Ed. from Northwestern State College, Miss Johnson teaches biology at Byrd. Her extra time is spent hunting, fishing, and trapshooting.



CYRUS LARMOYEUX

Although teaching chemistry takes up much of his time, Major Larmoyeux enjoys sailing, gardening, and fishing. He has attended L.S.U. and Stephen F. Austin State and holds his B.A. and M.Ed. degrees. He was also chosen to represent Byrd at the science conference at Washington and Lee.



SHIRLEY ANN McNEEL

Travel and sports occupy the free hours of Miss McNeel, who teaches general science and sponsors the cheerleaders. She received her B.S. from Northwestern State College and has taught at Byrd for three years.



JEAN PONDER

Her duties as a biology teacher and Red Cross sponsor keep Miss Ponder busy, but she finds time to enjoy travel, music and reading during after school hours. A graduate of Louisiana Tech, she holds her B.S. and M.S. degrees.



the Study of SCIENCE

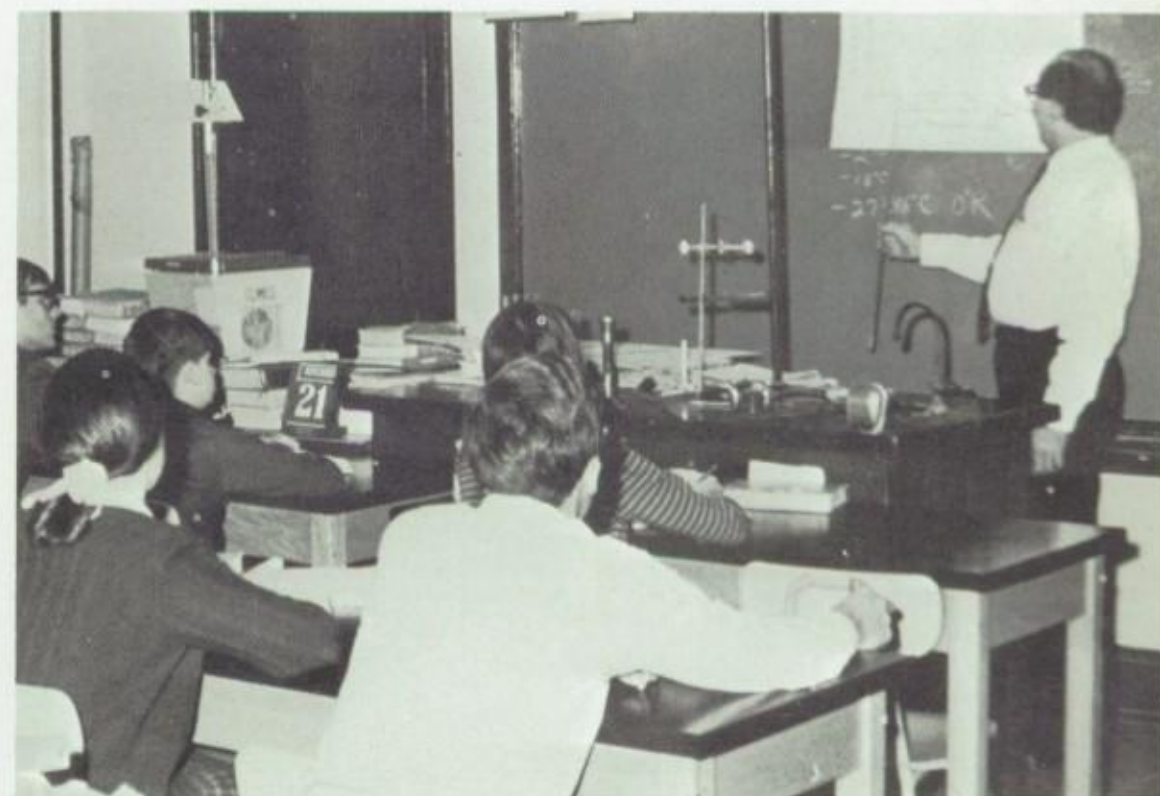
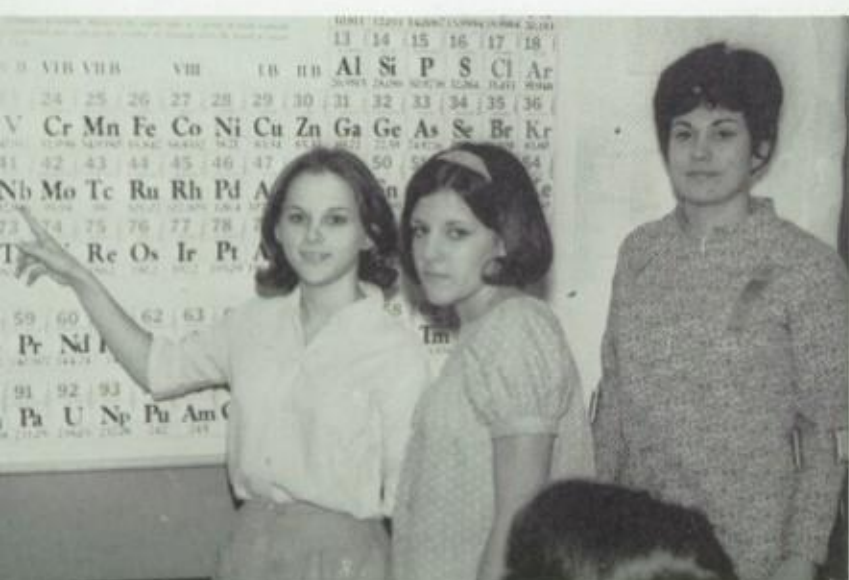


Before attempting dissection of the crayfish, Bill Thomas and Mary McCormick made a detailed study of the anatomy of the arthropoda.



JAMES D. WHITE

Having attended Henderson State, Nebraska Wesleyan University L.S.U., and the University of Arkansas, Mr. James White holds his B.S. degree. When not occupied teaching physics, humanities, and general science or sponsoring the Science Club and the Student Medical Association, Mr. White enjoys sports, philosophy, and music.



Charles' Gas Law, being explained by Major Cyrus Larmoyeux, is one of three such laws which every chemistry student must learn.

"The atomic weight of niobium is 92.906," explained Sherri Cornett to Kendy Ellis in a class discussion led by Miss Shirley McNeel on the Periodic Chart of the Elements.



"This stroboscope is operated by an electric current," explained physics student Mike Freed to an interested Steve Hightower in a discussion on their projects.

Past and Current Events

SAM DAVIS

Interested in golf and flying is Mr. Sam Davis who teaches American History, Economics, and Government. He is also coach of the golf team. He attended Centenary, Northwestern, and Austin College where he was awarded a B.S. degree.



Studies of the states were done in American History classes this year. Jon Cordell, Steve Middleton, Randy Scoggins, and Gloria Campbell viewed an aeronautical map of Louisiana.

MARY JACKSON

Having attended Texas Technological College where she received a B.S. degree, Mrs. Mary Jackson teaches Geography and Civics. She sponsors Byrd's Gayarre History Club and in her free moments enjoys reading, playing cards, and listening to country and western music.



Cabinets and councils, places and periods, investments and insurance, sites and statistics—all related to people and the way they live—fill the hours of the social studies student. If taking Economics, one can study how to invest money securely. In the study of American History, one learns the story of our nation from its beginning to the present time. If World History is the choice, the history of mankind is unfolded to the student. During the Government course, pupils are introduced to the history of the American government system. World Geography, different from other Social Science courses, studies the locations and importance of areas in the world. Last, but not least, is the required subject Civics. It deals with a conglomeration of government and history. As shown, the Social Science Department offers the student a wide choice from which to pick his subjects.

"Most city officials are elected, not appointed," explained Mr. John Rogers about the levels of city government to Hubert Hunt, Kathi Brady, Mary Dula, and Ronny Cicero, students in his civics class.

SAM MARANTO

Teaching American History is the occupation of Mr. Sam Maranto. He was awarded B.A. and M.A. degrees from Kansas State College and New Mexico University. His extra time is spent reading current history and playing tennis.



Studied Through SOCIAL SCIENCE



JOHN ROGERS

Graduating with a B.S. degree from Indiana State University, Coach Rogers teaches Civics at Byrd. He is head basketball coach and also works with the football team. His spare moments are often spent fishing.



MICKI McCRARY

Miss McCrary teaches American History and assists the R.O.T.C. Sponsors at Byrd. Enjoying sports, reading, and working with young people, she holds a B.S. degree from L.S.U.



History students made use of the library facilities to improve their studies.



Gary Whitener explained a film on "Handling Money Wisely" in Mr. Sam Davis' Economics class, while Larry Swafford, and Raymond King watched with interest.

World Geography concerned even the smallest countries in the world. Mrs. Mary Jackson pointed out Morroco in northern Africa to Chuck Johnson, Bill Parker, Kristi Penninger, and Judy Hitchcock.





Before new material to cover a chair can be cut, it must be carefully measured and marked. Lowell Renois made accurate calculations in preparation to cutting the fabric.

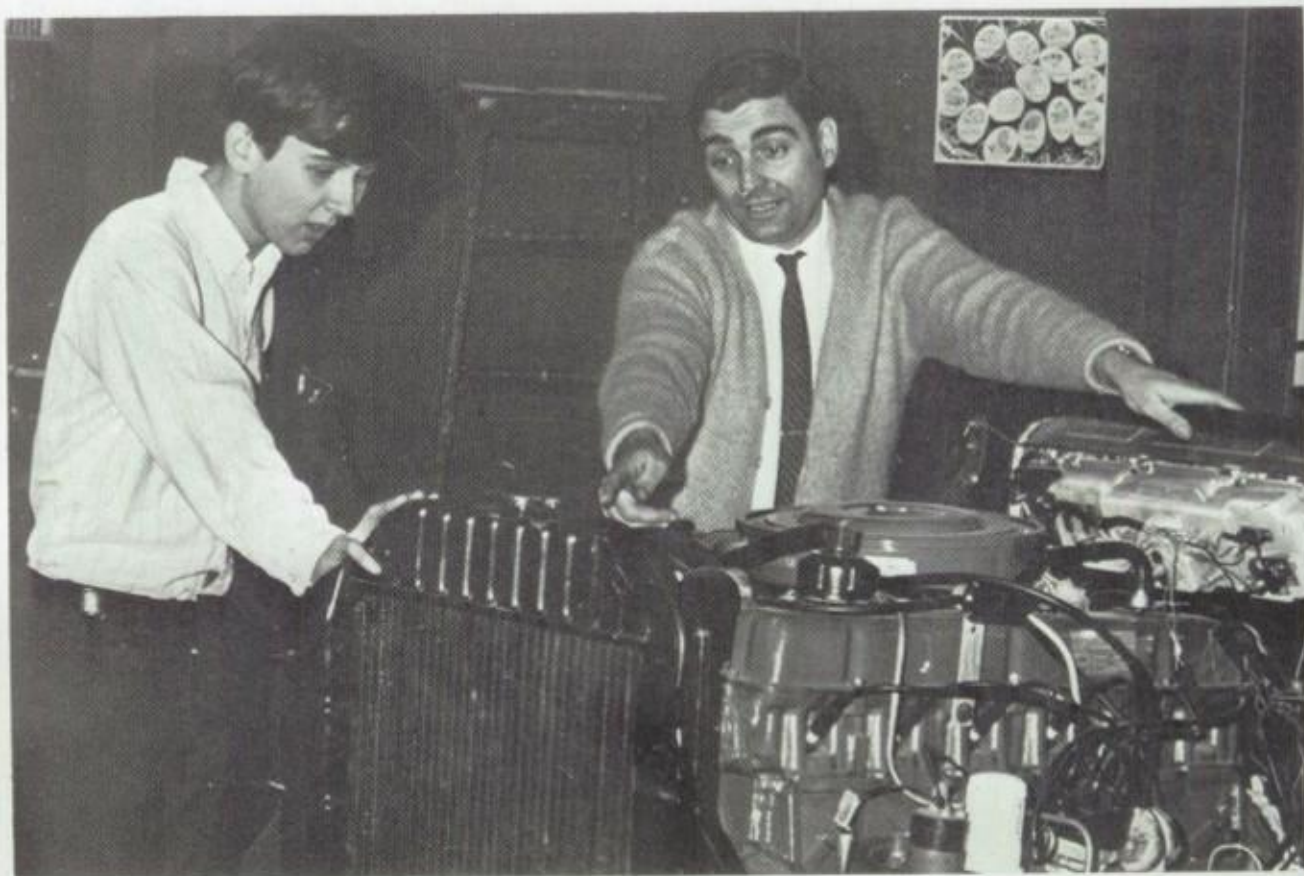
One of the most practical aspects of Byrd's curricula was the program permitting a student to learn a trade at Shreveport Vocational Technical Institute while earning his diploma. Under this plan, the student was able to graduate prepared to take the job of his choice with no further training. He was ready to earn his way in the world.

This year, three Byrd students participated in this program, two working at the school itself and one at a local service station, serving as attendant. Andrew McCarter took a course on motors at the Technical Institute while Lowell Renois studied upholstery. In the morning, both attended Byrd. Perry Small was a part of the new program instituted this year in connection with a local service station to prepare participating boys for a career in this field. Perry took regular classes at Byrd in the morning hours. All three of these boys, through the training provided by Byrd's trade school program, have learned skills which will enable them to take their place in today's competitive business world.

TRADE SCHOOL Initiated New Learning Program



Perry Small, who gained experience at a local service station, filled gas tanks, wiped windshields, checked oil gauges and performed many other necessary tasks.



Instructor Al C. Giecek pointed out the function of each part of this engine to his Motors I student, Andrew McCarter.

Teachers "Kickoff" the Year to a Good Start



During the yearly Pep Squad Carnival, the Dunking Booth was a favorite among the participants. Patti Falk and Peggy Allen gave directions to Coach Harrison as he prepared to drop into the tub when a softball hit the right spot.



Lieutenant Colonel Henry Turner showed an R.O.T.C. report to the Federal Inspection Officer, who comes annually to evaluate Byrd's military science program.

Haller Jackson, a member of the Student Council Executive Committee, served Mrs. Mamie Breazeale her plate at the teachers' "Kickoff" banquet. Other members of the Byrd faculty looked on and enjoyed the meal.

Teaching students the use of voting machines is one of the objectives of the Student Council elections. Miss Malone, the Student Council sponsor, checked the machine with two of Byrd's registered voters.





People make a school what it is, and the people at Byrd have made it a great institution. These people, who are Byrd, are shown in the class section. For this reason, the class section represents Byrd perhaps better than any other part of the GUSHER.

Classes

TELEPHONE STUDENTS Made Plans for Graduation



Left:

Frances Jones is interested in all kinds of sports. In her spare time she enjoys reading and playing with her Siamese cat. She collects records as a hobby. Frances's busy schedule in her senior year includes English III, biology, world history, and home living.

Right:

Pam Cage names world history, English III and home living as her subjects for her Senior year. Pam's hobby is collecting records, and she also enjoys swimming.



Robert Thompson, a senior, lists world history, biology, home living, and English III as his courses for the year. Robert's hobby is playing chess, and he is very interested in baseball and football.

This year three telephone students took classes through Byrd. The students were able to listen and talk to the teachers of each class because of special devices installed by the telephone company. Pam, Robert, and Frances attended regular school hours at the Caddo School for Exceptional Children. Transportation to the school was provided by a special bus equipped with a wheel chair apparatus, and they arrived at school about 8:30. The school was under the direction of Mrs. Joyce Posey with Mrs. Glo Disotell serving as assistant principal.



Robert, Pam, and Frances worked on their subjects while Mrs. Joyce Posey and Mrs. Glo Disotell were always near to offer help and guidance.

Seniors



AL HAND, President

"Veni, Vidi, Vici"—and our goal has been reached, after overcoming these many challenges, chances, and obstacles, which lay ahead as we enrolled as sophomore students in C. E. Byrd three years ago. This may well represent the feeling of the Seniors of Byrd High, Class of '69. We are a proud group, individually and collectively, a representative segment of the youth of a great nation who have come to accept and to respect the reality of change and the opinions of others in a rapidly moving world. We have graduated from a school which we have chosen on our own free will, not one we were required to attend. Not unlike those who have preceded us, we have erred, though our accomplishments have excelled and our goal has been reached. We will go forward with heads held high, as proud products of Byrd High, fully realizing that we possess a sound foundation in educational training obtained in this outstanding institution.

Flower:
White Rose

Song:
"Born Free"

Colors:
Purple and gold

Motto:
"The present will be past in the future, so live for today."

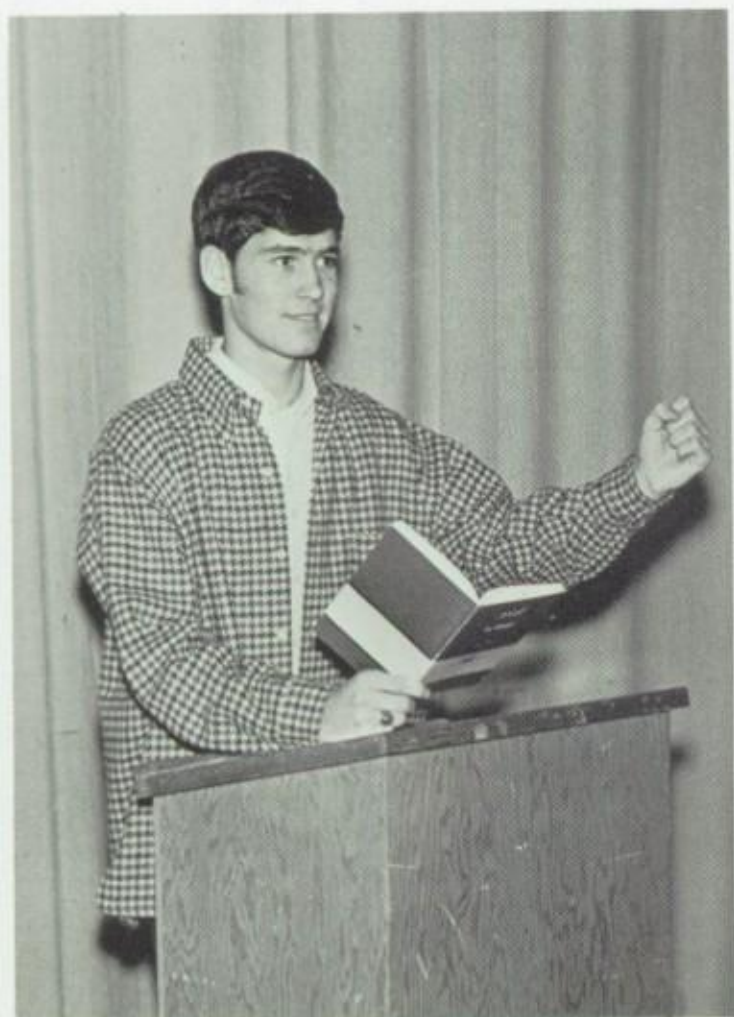


JOHN O'HARA, Vice-President



RICHIE WOODALL, Secretary

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PHIL WATSON, Parliamentarian



GINNY WALKE, Treasurer



MIKE SUMTER, Sergeant-at-Arms



To be chosen nominee for a class office is an honor in itself. Nominees were: John Payne, Nancy Spencer, Diane Askew, Edith Stevens, Cindy Dorfman, Bobby Minder, Bill Parker, Towny Robinson.

SENIORS Supported



P. C. Abney



S. Abney



J. Adams



R. H. Adams



G. S. Adcock



H. E. Alexander



W. J. Alexander



P. L. Allen



G. D. Anders



J. K. Anderson

ABNEY, PAUL CRAIG

ABNEY, SUSAN: Pep Squad

ADAMS, JANELLE: Choir, Vice-President; Pep Squad; Mu Alpha Theta; Office Worker; Student Council Representative

ADAMS, ROBERT HUNTER

ADCOCK, GEORGE STEPHEN: Cheerleader; Pelican State Alternate; Cheerleading School; Interest; National Merit Semi-Finalist; Hi-Y, Vice President; Math Club; Mu Alpha Theta; La Cercle Francais; Senior Favorite

ALEXANDER, HARRIET ELLEN: Pep Squad, Drum Corps; Red Cross Alternate; Latin Forum, Member-at-Large; Science Club

ALEXANDER, WILLIAM JEP

ALLEN, PEGGY LYNN: Pep Squad; Brush and Palette; Red Cross Representative; Miss Mistletoe

ANDERS, GEORGE DAVID

ANDERSON, JANI KATHRYN



Steve Adcock, cheerleader; Diane Askew, President, Pep Squad.

Fund-Raising Activities

ANDERSON, LINDA LEE: Pep Squad; Student Council Representative; Pan American Forum; Future Teachers of America, Treasurer; Gayarre History Club; First Aid Room Worker

ANGELES, REBECCA HELEN

ANTHONY, JAMES WADE: Spirit Squad; Varsity Club; Fellowship of Christian Athletes; Football Manager; Gayarre History Club

ASKEW, KATHERINE DIANE: Pep Squad, President; S.M.U. Pep Squad School; Le Cercle Francais, Vice President; Student Council Executive Committee; "Z" Club; Class Office Nominee; Homecoming Court, Maid; Pelican Girls' State Alternate; National Honor Society; Senior Favorite

ATKINSON, JOHN: Pan American Forum

BAILEY, MARGARET ANNE: National Honor Society; Pep Squad; Le Cercle Francais; Junior Medical League; School Store Worker

BALDRIDGE, JANE

BALDRIDGE, WILLIAM

BARBEE, JOSEPH ROBERT

BARNES, LANELL: Pep Squad; Office Worker; Junior Medical League, Corresponding Secretary; Gayarre History Club; Future Teachers of America



L. L. Anderson



R. H. Angeles



J. W. Anthony



K. D. Askeew



J. Atkinson



M. A. Bailey



J. Baldrige



W. Baldrige



J. R. Barbree



L. Barnes



In the 1968 talent show, "Neptune's Palace," Scotty Comegys, Jane Baldrige, Cindy Waits, Kathy Fontane, Pattie Falk, and Tookie Mitchell entertained the audience as they sang "Scarborough Fair."



R. G. Bartholomew



R. A. Bell



L. M. Bodenheimer



C. Bolch



C. L. Bonner



D. C. Booras



P. C. Boswell



J. M. Bowden



S. A. Box



R. J. Boyce



In the skit, "Sky King," the cheerleaders aroused school spirit against the Jesuit Flyers.

SENIORS Promoted Spirit

BARTHOLOMEW, RICHARD GERD

BELL, ROGER ALLEN

BODENHEIMER, LAURA MARY: Pep Squad, Drum Corps; Drama Club; Red Cross Representative; Gayarre History Club; Latin Forum, Member-at-Large; Quill and Scroll; Operation P.A.L.; National Thespian Society

BOLCH, CAMILLA: Pep Squad, Drum Corps; Pelican Girls' State Alternate; Feature Editor—"High Life;" Gayarre History Club, Secretary; Brush and Palette; Concert Choir

BONNER, CLOVIS LEVOXYZ: Pan American Forum; Orchestra

BOORAS, DANNY CHARLES: Student Council, President; National Honor Society; Gayarre History Club; Key Club; Golf; Pelican Boys' State Delegate; National Leadership Conference; Louisiana Association of Student Council Convention; Southern Association of Student Council Convention; National Association of Student Council Convention; Senior Favorite

BOSWELL, PHILIP COLLIN: Choir; R.O.T.C.; Hi-Y; Spirit Squad; National Forensic League; Officers and Sponsors Club

BOWDEN, JAMES MICHAEL

BOX, SALLY ANN: Band; R.O.T.C. Sponsor; Future Teachers of America, Reporter-Historian; Math Club; Gayarre History Club; Band, Herald; Officers and Sponsors Club

BOYCE, RICHARD JUDE: R.O.T.C., Officers and Sponsors Club, President; Red Cross Representative



Seniors listened attentively as instructions for ordering graduation invitations were explained.

and Planned Ahead

BOYD, JAMES EDWARD

BOYD, THEDA ELAINE

BOYDSTUN, LYNDA: Gayarre History Club; Le Cercle Francais; Brush and Palette Club; Office Worker

BRANHAM, SANDRA GAIL

BRASELTON, RANDALL GRADY: Gayarre History Club; Red Cross Alternate; Math Club; Science Club; Spirit Squad

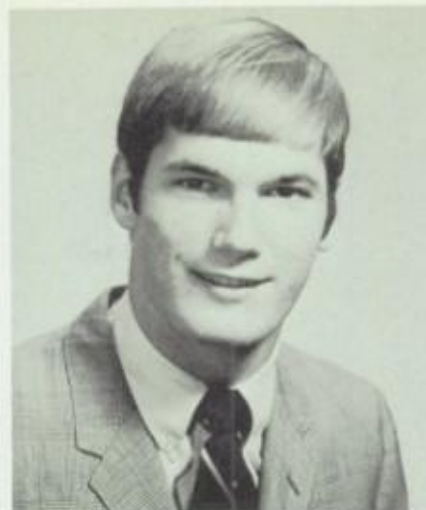
BREEDLOVE, LILLIE VIRGINIA

BROWN, CAROLYN ELLICE: Pep Squad, Drum Corps; Latin Forum, Member-at-Large; Mu Alpha Theta, Vice President; National Honor Society; Gayarre History Club; Office Worker; Quill and Scroll; "High Life," Business Staff

BROWN, MADALYNE SUE: Pep Squad; Student Council Representative; "High Life," Business Staff; Junior Medical League; Latin Forum; Debate; National Forensic League

BROWN, NANETTE

BROWNLEE, GARY NEIL: Associate Editor, GUSHER; Football



J. E. Boyd



T. E. Boyd



L. Boydstun



S. G. Branham



R. G. Braselton



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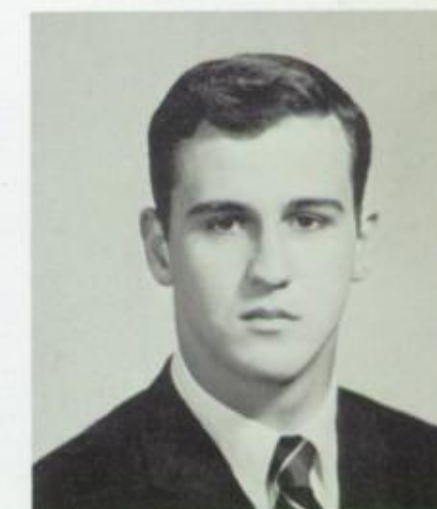
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T. F. Bryson



J. R. Burroughs



R. B. Butcher



E. H. Campbell



M. L. Campbell



C. Cannon



J. Cardwell



R. A. Cariere



L. W. Carney



O. R. Carroll

BRYSON, THEODORE FRANKLIN: Latin Forum Sergeant-at-Arms; Student Council Alternate; Student Medical Association

BURROUGHS, JOHN ROY: Football; Basketball; Baseball; Varsity Club, Secretary; Student Council Representative; Fellowship of Christian Athletes; National Honor Society

BUTCHER, ROBERT BLISS: Student Medical Association, Treasurer; Red Cross Alternate; Latin Forum

CAMPBELL, ELLEN HEROLD

CAMPBELL, MARY LOU

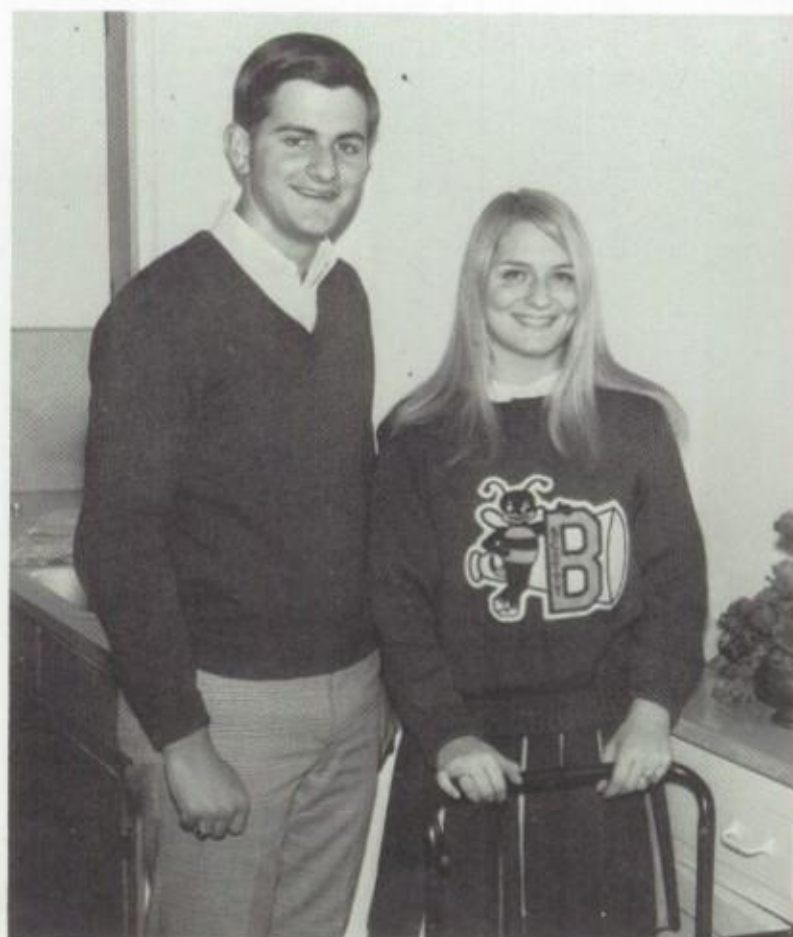
CANNON, CAROL: Pep Squad, Drum Corps; GUSHER, Business Staff; Gayarre History Club; Latin Forum, Member-at-Large; Los Vecinos

CARDWELL, JAY: Band; Le Cercle Francais

CARIERE, ROXIE ANN: Pep Squad; Gayarre History Club; Student Council Representative; GUSHER, Business Staff; Homecoming Court, Maid; Senior Favorite

CARNEY, LINTON WATSON: National Merit Semi-Finalist; National Honor Society; Key Club; Mu Alpha Theta; Gayarre History Club, Treasurer; Latin Forum, Consul; National Forensic League

CARROL, OLIVER ROLAND: R.O.T.C. Band Commander; Officers and Sponsors Club; Saber Team Member



Danny Booras, President of Student Council; Scotty Comegys, Cheerleader

Carnival a Success



At the annual Pep Squad Carnival, Bill Parker happily trudged from the dunking booth after finishing his duty of being dunked.



K. T. Carter



M. J. Carter



H. Chalmiers



A. V. Clark

CARTER, KAREN THERESA: Math Club; Mu Alpha Theta; Le Cercle Francais; Science Club; Student Medical Association; Drama Club

CARTER, MICHAEL JAY: Key Club; Mu Alpha Theta; Gayarre History Club; Pelican Boys' State Alternate

CHALMIERS, HARRY: National Forensic League, President; Key Club, Vice President; Georgetown University Debate Workshop; Latin Forum; Gayarre History Club

CLARK, ANNE VIRGINIA: Student Council Representative; Band Herald, Secretary and Program Chairman; Math Club Secretary; Band Queen; Office Worker

CLARK, CHARLES MILTON: Latin Forum

CLARK, WILLIAM ROY

COATS, NANCY JEAN: "Z" Club; Le Cercle Francais; Pep Squad, Drum Corps; Student Council Executive Committee, Recreation Chairman; Pelican Girls' State Delegate

COFFMAN, STEPHANIE: Concert and Marching Band; Herald; Band Librarian; R.O.T.C. Sponsor; Officers and Sponsors Club; Pan American Forum

COKER, JUDY: Pan American Forum; Band; Herald; Office Worker

COLEMAN, BEVERLYE JOYCE: Marching and Concert Band



C. M. Clark



W. R. Clark



N. J. Coats



S. Coffman



J. Coker



B. Coleman

SENIORS Prepared for



S. Collins



R. S. Comegys



B. N. Cook



D. C. Cooper



K. Corbin



N. G. Cox



J. M. Crain



N. Cramer



P. D. Crook



M. D. Crooks



"Vita-Veta-Vegimin, the miracle drug, cures all ills," Rick Hawkins explained to John O'Hara in the Ruston assembly.

COLLINS, SANDFORD: Pan American Forum; Officers and Sponsors Club; R.O.T.C.; Saber Platoon, Commander

COMEGYS, ROWENA SCOTT: Cheerleader; Sam Houston Cheerleading School; Pelican Girls' State Delegate; Homecoming Court, Maid; "Z" Club; Gayarre History Club, Social Co-Chairman; Latin Forum, Member-at-Large; Le Cercle Francais; Student Council Representative; Future Teachers of America; Senior Favorite

COOK, BARBARA NAN

COOPER, DEWITT C.

CORBIN, KAROL: Le Cercle Francais; Gayarre History Club; Future Teachers of America; Brush and Palette

COX, NORMAN GLENN: Concert and Marching Band; Hi-Y; Science Club; Gayarre History Club

CRAIN, JOAN MARILYN

CRAMER, NEAL: GUSHER, Business Staff; Red Cross Representative

CROOK, PATRICIA DOLORES: Junior Medical League; Audio Visual Aids worker; Library Club; Library Worker

CROOKS, MARGO DENISE: Latin Forum; Junior Medical League

a Promising Future

CROSS, RHONDA ANN: Gayarre History Club; Junior Medical League; Brush and Palette; Latin Forum, Member-at-Large; Operation P.A.L., Student Director; Student Council Executive Committee; Assembly Pianist; Hi-Y Sponsor

CROSSLIN, DEBORAH LYNN: National Honor Society; Pep Squad; Student Council Alternate; Brush and Palette, President; Latin Forum; Office Worker

D'ANNA, JOSEPH NICK

DAVIS, EVELYN

DEES, WANDA KAYE: Future Homemakers of America, Recreation Officer; Junior Medical League

DIENST, FRANK TED: Band, Drum Major; All Senior Honor Band; All State Band; R.O.T.C. Officer; Officers and Sponsors Club; Science Club; School Store Worker; Band King

DIFILIPPO, JOSEPH ERNEST: Gayarre History Club; Student Council Alternate

DINKINS, NANCY ALICE: Red Cross Executive Committee; "Z" Club, Secretary

DORFMAN, CYNTHIA RENEE: Southern Association of Student Councils, President; Student Council Executive Committee; "Z" Club, Senior Board Member; Pep Squad, Drum Corps; Debate; National Forensic League; National Honor Society; National Merit Semi-Finalist; Mu Alpha Theta; Latin Forum; Pelican Girls' State Delegate

DOTSON, DONNA: R.O.T.C. Sponsor; Officers and Sponsors Club, Secretary; Band, Herald



R. A. Cross



D. L. Crosslin



J. N. D'Anna



E. Davis



W. K. Dees



F. T. Dienst



J. E. DiFilippo



N. A. Dinkins



C. R. Dorfman



D. Dotson



These industrious students, Daryl Posey, Jill Sanford, and Bill Alexander, are just three of the many who took part in Byrd's D.E. program, which gave Seniors an opportunity to hold jobs while attending high school.

SENIORS Achieved



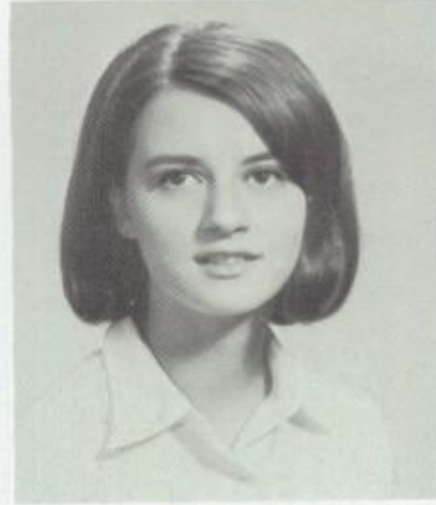
D. V. DuBois



W. A. Dudley



J. Duncan



C. A. Ellis



C. Endicott



S. A. Eslick



P. A. Falk



M. E. Fallis



B. F. Flournoy



J. C. Flournoy

DUBOIS, DEBORAH VICK: Pep Squad, Drum Corps; National Honor Society; Student Council Alternate; Gayarre History Club; Office Worker; Tardy Desk Worker

DUDLEY, WILLIAM ANDREW

DUNCAN, JOHN

ELLIS, CAROL ANNE: Pep Squad; Le Cercle Francais; Brush and Palette; Student Council Alternate; Gayarre History Club

ENDICOTT, CAROL

ESLICK, SARA AMANDA: Gayarre History Club; Junior Medical League; Cooperative Office Education Club, Vice-President

FALK, PATRICIA ANN: Pep Squad, Drum Corps; Gayarre History Club; Student Council Executive Committee, Courtesy Chairman; "Z" Club, Service Chairman; Prayer Group Leader

FALLIS, MARGARET ELAINE: Distributive Education; Red Cross Representative; Future Teachers of America; D.E.C.C.A. Club

FLOURNOY, BRENDA FAYE: Le Cercle Francais

FLOURNOY, JOHN CRAIG: Gayarre History Club; Varsity Club; Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Secretary-Treasurer; GUSHER, Editorial Staff; Key Club; Football; Red Cross Representative



Senior Debate members displayed end results of their hard work at the Woodlawn Tournament. These were just a few of the many trophies won by the 1969 Debaters.

Outstanding Recognition

FONTANE, KATHY CECILE: Pep Squad, Drum Corps; Gayarre History Club; Latin Forum, Member-at-Large; Tennis Team

FORD, AMANDA

FOSTER, BLANCHARD LEROY, JR.: National Honor Society; Quill and Scroll; Mu Alpha Theta; Science Club; Student Council Alternate; "High Life," Advertising Manager

FREED, MICHAEL: Spirit Squad; Math Club; Science Club

FRYER, ANNE MARIE

FULLER, FRANCES J.

FURLONG, WILLIAM JOSEPH

GADPAILLE, CHARLES KEY

GAINES, JOSEPH ALLEN: Hi-Y; Interact; Fellowship of Christian Athletes; Gayarre History Club; Math Club; Science Club; Track; Spirit Squad, President; Pan American Forum; Office Worker

GALLASPY, GLENNA LEE



K. C. Fontane



A. Ford



B. L. Foster



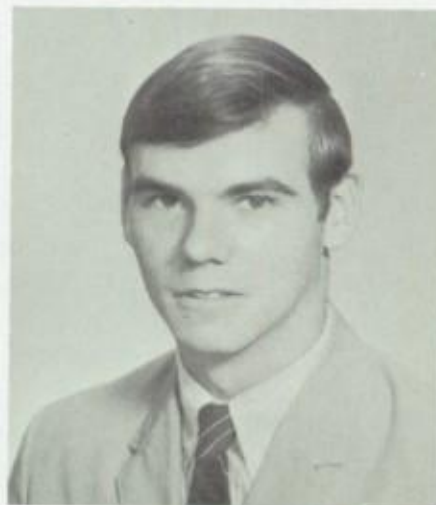
M. Freed



A. M. Fryer



F. J. Fuller



W. J. Furlong



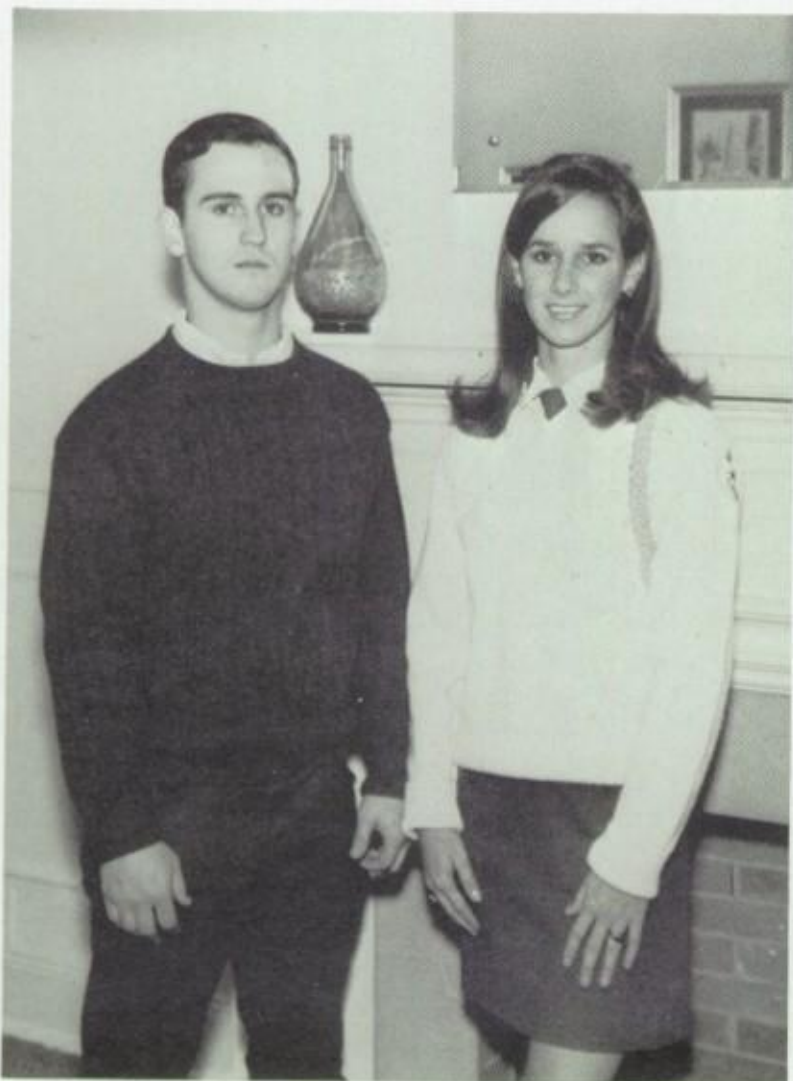
C. K. Gadpaille



J. A. Gaines



G. L. Gallaspy



Gary Brownlee, Associate Editor, GUSHER; Glenna Gallaspy, Majorette, Pep Squad.

SENIORS Enjoyed



D. E. Gamble



M. W. Gardner



D. Gates



E. C. Gates



D. Gauthier



D. A. Gesn



J. Gibert



D. Ginsburg



G. W. Goins



R. A. Golden



Jody D'Anna, Lt. Colonel, R.O.T.C.; Cindy Haney, Cheerleader.

GAMBLE, DENNY E.: Student Medical Association, Vice-President; Latin Forum; Debate; National Forensic League; Spirit Squad

GARDNER, MARK WILLIAM: Latin Forum, Member-at-Large; Interact Club

GATES, DEBORAH

GATES, EDWARD CHARLES

GAUTHIER, DENISE

GESN, DAVID ANTHONY

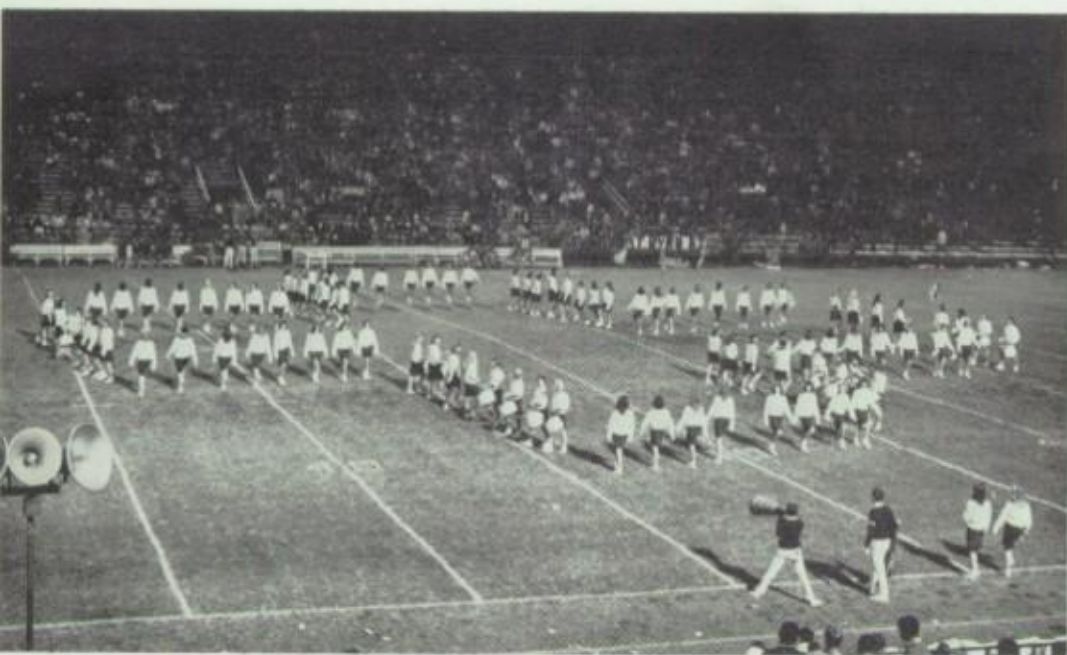
GIBERT, JOAN

GINSBURG, DAVID: Le Cercle Francais; Track; Spirit Squad; Red Cross Volunteer at V.A.

GOINS, GERALD WAYNE

GOLDEN, RONNIE ARTHUR: Red Cross Representative; Interact Club; Hi-Y; Operation P.A.L.; Spirit Squad, Sergeant-at-Arms; Math Club; Gayarre History Club

Many Memorable Events



During half time at the Woodlawn game, many onlookers admired one of the memorable pep squad performances which the Stingerettes worked all summer to perfect.

GRABILL, ELIZABETH BURCH: Student Council Representative; Brush and Palette; Gayarre History Club; Junior Medical League

GRAYSON, BARBARA

GREEN, DEBORAH NELL: Future Homemakers of America

GREEN, DON GERALD

GREENGUS, GAYBRIELLE: "Z" Club; Pelican Girls' State Delegate; Student Council Executive Committee, Organization Chairman; Pep Squad, Vice President; S.M.U. Pep Squad School; Le Cercle Francais, Vice President; Gayarre History Club, Social Chairman; Brush and Palette

GRESHAM, CHRISTINE VIRGINIA: Andover Summer Session; Le Cercle Francais, President; National Honor Society; National Merit Letter of Commendation

GRIEDER, RICHARD DOUGLAS: Football; Basketball; Track; Varsity Club

GROUND, LORA ELIZABETH: Brush and Palette; Office Worker

GUIN, BILLY JAMES: Head Cheerleader; Sam Houston State Cheerleading School; Latin Forum, Member-at-Large; Student Council Representative; Interact Club, Vice-President; Gayarre History Club; Math Club; Science Club; Mu Alpha Theta; Senior Favorite

HADRA, DOUGLAS FREDERICK: National Honor Society, President; Key Club, Secretary; Gayarre History Club; Latin Forum, Member-at-Large; Editor, GUSHER; Pelican Boys' State Delegate; Quill and Scroll, Student Council Representative



E. B. Grabill



B. Grayson



D. N. Green



D. J. Green



G. Greengus



C. V. Gresham



R. D. Grieder



L. E. Grounds



B. I. Guin



D. F. Hadra

SENIORS Participated in



V. A. Hagens



A. M. Hand



C. Haney



N. G. Harkins



L. Harper



J. M. Harrell



B. A. Harris



C. A. Harris



L. J. Hartwell



L. C. Havard

HAGENS, VIRGINIA ANNE: Gayarre History Club; Latin Forum, Corresponding Secretary; Pep Squad, Drum Corps; "Z" Club; GUSHER, Business Staff

HAND, ALBERT MOORE: Gayarre History Club; Latin Forum; Science Club; Mu Alpha Theta; Key Club, President; President, Senior Class; Basketball; Tennis; Student Council Executive Committee, Assembly Co-Chairman; National Honor Society; Senior Favorite

HANEY, CYNTHIA: Cheerleader; Sam Houston Cheerleading School; Homecoming Court, Maid of Honor; Pelican Girls' State Alternate; Quill and Scroll; Senior Favorite

HARKINS, NANCY GAIL

HARPER, LYNNE

HARRELL, JAMES MICHAEL: Science Club; Hi-Y; Interact; Basketball, Manager

HARRIS, BARBARA ANN

HARRIS, CHARLOTTE ANN

HARTWELL, LINDA JOY: Los Vencinos; Officers and Sponsors Club; Color Team Sponsor

HAVARD, LUTHER CADE: Baseball, Scorekeeper; Varsity Club; Fellowship of Christian Athletes



Cadet John Zenter escorted Sponsor Gail Sandifer through the Arch of Steel R.O.T.C. Military Ball, held at Muncipal Auditorium on January 31, 1969.

Byrd's Military Program



Nervous contestants awaited their turn to perform during the tryouts for 1968-69 cheerleaders.

HAWKINS, RICHARD R.: Concert Choir; R.O.T.C.; Officers and Sponsors Club; Gayarre History Club; Spirit Squad; Student Council Executive Committee; Optimist Award

HAYES, MOLLY ANN: Drama Club; Future Teachers of America; Cooperative Office Education, Secretary; Library Worker

HEAD, DAVID: R.O.T.C.; Rifle Team; Drill Team; Officers and Sponsors Club; Concert and Marching Band, Captain; Student Council Alternate; Red Cross Member; Spirit Squad

HEDGCOCK, MARION RANDOLPH: Student Council Alternate; Le Cercle Francais, Secretary; Brush and Palette

HEINSOHN, KAREN GAYE: Red Cross Representative; Future Teachers of America; Future Homemakers of America, President; Brush and Palette Club; Gayarre History Club

HENDRIX, JAMES ROLAND: Concert and Marching Band; Spirit Squad

HIGGINBOTHAM, JOY

HIGHTOWER, STEVE IRISH: National Honor Society; National Merit Semi-Finalist; Mu Alpha Theta; Science Club; Math Club; Latin Forum; Spirit Squad

HITCHCOCK, JUDY: Red Cross Representative; Office Worker; Junior Medical League; Le Cercle Francais; Brush and Palette; Gayarre History Club

HODGE, BRENDA MONEL: Debate Club; National Forensic League, Secretary; National Honor Society; Gayarre History Club; Student Council Representative; Pep Squad, Drum Corps; Spanish National Honor Society



R. R. Hawkins



M. A. Hayes



D. Head



M. R. Hedgcock



K. G. Heinsohn



J. R. Hendrix



J. Higginbotham



S. I. Hightower



J. Hitchcock



B. M. Hodge

Rings Gave



L. A. Holder



D. A. Holley



D. D. Holt



L. P. Hooper



D. H. Houser



G. W. Howard



M. F. Howard



N. J. D. Howard



S. A. Howard



M. H. Humphrey



Seniors received rings during their Junior year, an event that all students had long anticipated.

HOLDER, LESLIE ANN: Pep Squad; Mu Alpha Theta; Le Cercle Francais; Junior Medical League

HOLLEY, DEBORAH ANN

HOLT, DEBBIE DIANE

HOOPER, LETA PAMELA: Pep Squad, Drum Corps; Office Worker; Pelican Girls' State Alternate; Gayarre History Club

HOUSER, DEBORAH

HOWARD, GERALD W.

HOWARD, MARY FAYE

HOWARD, NELDA JOYCE DOT

HOWARD, SARA ANN: Operation P.A.L.; Prayer Group Leader; Student Council, Secretary; Louisiana Association of Student Councils Workshop; Louisiana Association of Student Councils Convention; Pep Squad; Brush and Palette

HUMPHREY, MICHAEL HUEY

Prestige to SENIORS

HUNT, EVELYN SUE: Junior Medical League, Scrapbook Chairman; Drama Club; "High Life," Assistant Feature Editor; Red Cross Alternate

HUNTER, PAULA DEBORAH: Pep Squad; Red Cross Representative; Gayarre History Club, Vice President; Office Worker

HYDE, WILLIAM DARIEN

JACK, DONALD RAY: Concert and Marching Band; "High Life"

JACKSON, HELEN CLAIRE

JACKSON, THOMAS HALLER: Pelican Boys' State Alternate; National Honor Society; Student Council Executive Committee, Assembly Co-Chairman; Baseball; Science Club; Interact Club; Le Cercle Francais

JAGGERS, GLORIA JANE

JAMES, DEE ANN

JOBRON, GEORGIA GLEANOR

JOHNSON, CHARLES EDWARD: R.O.T.C., Drill Team



E. S. Hunt



P. D. Hunter



W D. Hyde



D. R. Jack



H. C. Jackson



T. H. Jackson



G. J. Jagers



D. A. James



G. G. Jobron



C. E. Johnson



Leroy Foster, Advertising Manager, "High Life"; Sara Howard, Secretary Student Council.

SENIORS Set Good



J. Johnson



P. Johnson



P. B. Johnson



S. Johnson



J. A. Jones



P. A. Jones



M. L. Judlin



R. F. Kayser



J. W. Keasler



D. E. Kimbell

JOHNSON, JANET: Future Teachers of America, Parliamentarian; Drama Club; Office Worker

JOHNSON, PATRICIA: Gayarre History Club; Math Club; Concert Choir; Future Homemakers of America, Historian

JOHNSON, PEARLIE BEATRICE: Choir; Los Vecinos; Junior Achievement

JOHNSON, SAMUEL: Distributive Education; Vice-President; D.E.C.C.A. Club

JONES, JUDY ANN: Le Cercle Francais

JONES, PATRICIA ANNE: Concert Choir, Librarian; Future Teachers of America; Office Worker; Gayarre History Club; Pan American Forum

JUDLIN, MICHAEL LOUIS

KAYSER, RAYMOND FRANCIS: Gayarre History Club, Social Committee; Student Council Representative; GUSHER, Editorial Staff; Key Club, Treasurer; Science Club; Golf Team; Pelican Boys' State Alternate

KEASLER, JAMES WILLIAM: Red Cross Alternate

KIMBELL, DONNA ELIZABETH: Red Cross Executive Committee; Pep Squad; Gayarre History Club



Scotty Lyons, Advertising Manager, GUSHER; Billy Guin, Head Cheerleader.

Example for Underclassmen

KING, RAYMOND: Basketball; Gayarre History Club; Spirit Squad

KIRKPATRICK, KITTY: Pep Squad, Drum Corps; "High Life," Personality Editor

KLECKINGER, COSIMO GUY: Baseball, Manager

KNIPP, MARY KATHERINE: Red Cross Alternate; Junior Medical League; Brush and Palette; Gayarre History Club; Operation P.A.L.

KOELEMAY, ALAN: Latin Forum; Gayarre History Club; Interact Club; Office Worker; Red Cross Representative

KORMAN, CARL WHITNEY

KOTTLE, GAIL MARILYN: Le Cercle Francais; Gayarre History Club

KRENTEL, KAREN ANN: Brush and Palette; 4-H; Library Worker

KYLE, DONNA KAY: "High Life," News and Page Editor; Gayarre History Club; Quill and Scroll

LACKEY, BEVERLY ANNE: Concert and Marching Band; Herald; R.O.T.C. Sponsor; Officers and Sponsors Club; Red Cross Alternate; National Honor Society; Gayarre History Club



R. King



K. Kirkpatrick



C. G. Kleckinger



M. K. Knipp



A. Koelemay



C. W. Korman



G. M. Kottle



K. A. Krentel



D. K. Kyle



B. Lackey



Members of the R.O.T.C. presented a skit on Americanism, which showed that our present day world would be like without patriotism.



A. L. Lang



P. A. Langford



L. N. Larson



A. J. Lawrence



T. L. Lazarus



S. Leeper



J. E. Lenoir



N. J. Leonard



A. C. Lerner



A. Levy



In Mr. Samuel Davis's Economics class, seniors learned many things about the government and its affairs.

SENIORS Strove for

LANG, ANN LOUISE: Gayarre History Club; Brush and Palette

LANGFORD, PATRICIA ANN: Pep Squad; "High Life," Editorial Staff; Latin Forum, Member-at-Large

LARSON, LARRY MELS: Fellowship of Christian Athletes; Gayarre History Club, Parliamentarian; Varsity Club; Football, Trainer; Red Cross Representative; Le Cercle Francais

LAWRENCE, ARLISS JUNE: L.S.U. Leadership Conference; Office Worker; Concert Choir; Mu Alpha Theta; Gayarre History Club; Drama Club

LAZARUS, TERRY LEE: Pep Squad; Junior Medical League; Gayarre History Club

LEEPER, SHARON: Pep Squad, Drum Corps; Student Council Representative

LENOIR, JAMES ELDRIDGE: R.O.T.C., Captain; Officers and Sponsors Club; Patton Platoon; Spirit Squad

LEONARD, NANCY JONES

LERNER, AMY CECILIA: Pep Squad, Drum Corps; Le Cercle Francais; Latin Forum, Member-at-Large; National Honor Society

LEVY, ANN: Pep Squad, Drum Corps; National Honor Society; "Z" Club; Gayarre History Club, Historian; Le Cercle Francais, Treasurer; Student Council Alternate



Dee Cooper and Towny Robinson learned how to keep files in Mrs. Treba Gay Vallery's Bookkeeping class.

Scholastic Achievement

LIGHTFOOT, JIMMY EVERETTE

LINDENMAYER, CHARLES: Gayarre History Club; Student Medical Association; Red Cross Alternate

LINDSEY, PATRICIA HELEN: Pep Squad, Drum Corps; "Z" Club; Latin Forum, Secretary; Gayarre History Club; Tennis

LINDSEY, SAMUEL CRAIG

LINEBARIER, MYRA JEAN: Pep Squad; Latin Forum; Gayarre History Club; Red Cross Representative; Debate Club; National Forensic League

LINK, RHODA ANN: Red Cross Alternate; Brush and Palette; Gayarre History Club; Pep Squad; School Store Worker; Latin Forum, Member-at-Large; Future Teachers of America

LOFTON, BEVERLY RUTH: Pep Squad; Homecoming Cheerleader; Gayarre History Club; Debate; Operation P.A.L.; Student Council Representative

LOWE, SCOTT SOUTHWICK: Student Council Representative; Student Medical Association; Latin Forum

LYNN, PAMELA: GUSHER, Business Staff; Le Cercle Francais; Math Club; Pep Squad, Drum Corps

LYONS, MARJORIE SCOTT



J. E. Lightfoot



C. Lindenmayer



P. H. Lindsey



S. C. Lindsey



M. J. Linebarier



R. A. Link



B. R. Lofton



S. S. Lowe



P. Lynn

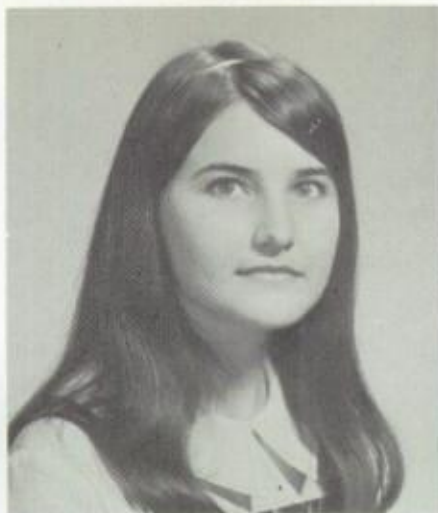


M. S. Lyons

SENIORS Greeted



R. C. McCreight



L. D. McElduff



M. McElroy



D. W. MacKnight



M. McLaughlin



L. M. McMahon



W. E. McNeill



R. D. Mabry



R. Maddox



S. M. Malry

McCREIGHT, ROBERT GILMAN: Spirit Squad, Sergeant-at-Arms; Golf; Fellowship of Christian Athletes; "High Life," Reporter

McELDUFF, LYNDIA DIANN: Concert Choir; Drama Club

McELROY, MORGAN

MacKNIGHT, DOYLE WILLIAM: Red Cross Alternate; Debate

McLAUGHLIN, MARCIA: Gayarre History Club; Red Cross Representative; Math Club

McMAHON, LYNNE MARIE: Pep Squad, Drum Corps; Gayarre History Club; National Honor Society; National Forensic League; Debate; University of Iowa Debate Workshop

McNEILL, WILLIS EUGENE: Red Cross Representative; Gayarre History Club; Baseball

MABRY, ROBERT DOUGLAS: Football; Baseball

MADDOX, RICHARD: Basketball, Trainer; Math Club, President; Spirit Squad, Sergeant-at-Arms; Interact Club; Hi-Y; Science Club; Pan American Forum

MALRY, SONDERA MARIE: Gayarre History Club; Junior Medical League



Janis Turner, Ginny Walke, and Laura Bodenheimer decorated their homeroom door to add to the holiday spirit.

Holidays With Enthusiasm

MANN, KAREN JO: Gayarre History Club; Junior Medical League; Drama Club; Library Worker

MARTIN, DAN LARUE: R.O.T.C.; N.C.O. Club, President; Color Guard

MARTIN, JOHN RUSSELL: "High Life"; Spirit Squad

MASSEY, MARK STUART: Student Council Representative; Tennis Team; Latin Forum; Gayarre History Club

MAYS, DELORES ANN: 4-H Club, Publicity Chairman

MAYS, WALTER DALE, JR.

MIKA, MARY: Pep Squad; Drama Club; Latin Forum; Gayarre History Club; Office Worker

MILLER, DEBORAH KAY

MINDER, ROBERT: Key Club; National Forensic League, Vice President; Pelican Boys' State Delegate; Class Officer Nominee; Latin Forum, Member-at-Large; Georgetown Summer Debate Workshop; Debate

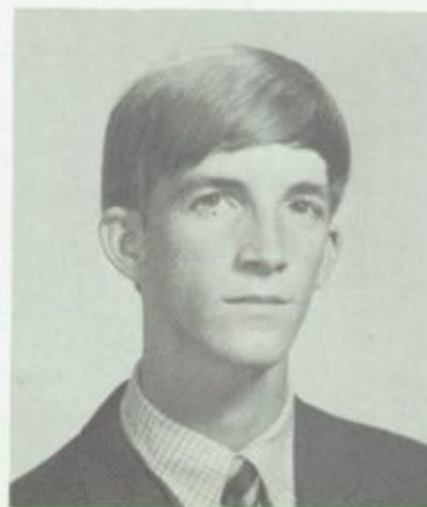
MINGO, BRENDA GAYLE



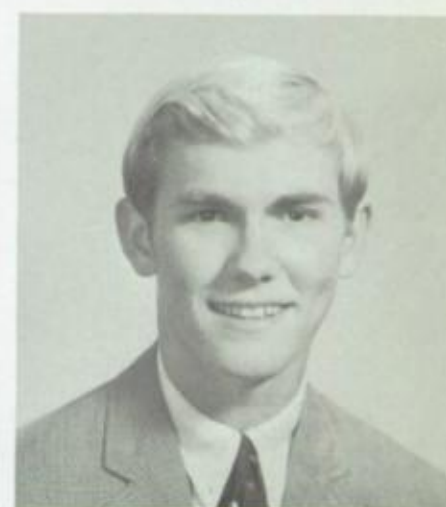
K. J. Mann



D. L. Martin



J. R. Martin



M. S. Massey



D. A. Mays



W. D. Mays



M. Mika



D. K. Miller



R. Minder



B. G. Mingo



Rozann Nelbert, Editor in Chief, "High Life"; Doug Hadra, Editor, GUSHER.

SENIORS Enjoyed a



D. R. Minor



K. O. Mitchell



O. V. Mitchell



T. E. Mitchell



E. B. Montgomery



G. G. Moore



S. R. Mooring



P. D. Morgan



W. Morris



M. L. Morrison



Gay Greengus played the role of a dance hall girl on Go-West Day, as Danny Booras exhibited his talent with the piano.

MINOR, DONALD RAY: Marching and Concert Band; Latin Forum

MITCHELL, KATHLEEN O'BRIEN: Pep Squad, Drum Corps; Mu Alpha Theta; Student Council Representative; Gayarre History Club; School Store Worker

MITCHELL, ONA VIRGINIA: Le Cercle Francais

MITCHELL, THEODORE EDWARD

MONTGOMERY, ELIZABETH BROCK: Cooperative Office Education; Student Council Representative

MOORE, GARY GENE: Cooperative Office Education; Drill Team; Track; Junior Achievement

MOORING, STEVE RODGER

MORGAN, POLLY DECKER

MORRIS, WILLIAM: Football, Baseball; Gayarre History Club; Fellowship of Christian Athletes; "High Life," Reporter

MORRISON, MARY LOUISE

Victorious Go-West Day

MOSLEY, ELGIN MARIE: Choir; 4-H Club

MUROV, ROSLYN GAIL: Pep Squad, Drum Corps; Le Cercle Francais

MURRELL, CATHERINE: Pep Squad; Student Council Representative; Pan American Forum; Homecoming Cheerleader; Gayarre History Club; Basketball Court

NADER, NANCY ELIZABETH: Concert Choir; Drama Club, Clerk; Junior Medical League; Latin Forum; Gym Office Worker; National Thespian Society

NEAL, MARY ELLEN: Future Teachers of America; Future Homemakers of America; Junior Medical League; Red Cross Alternate; Cooperative Office Education

NECKING, CHRISTINA

NEEL, CARLA JEAN

NELBERT, ROZANN: "High Life," Editor; Red Cross Representative; Gayarre History Club

NIX, RALPH COLLINS: National Honor Society, Vice President; National Merit Semi-Finalist; Pelican Boys' State Alternate; Quill and Scroll; Mu Alpha Theta; Interact, Secretary; Chapel, Co-Leader; Science Club, President; Math Club, Vice President; School Store Worker; Gayarre History Club; Hi-Y

NOLEN, MOLLY JEAN: Pep Squad, Drum Corps; "Z" Club, President; Gayarre History Club; Brush and Palette; Office Worker



E. M. Mosley



R. G. Murov



C. Murrell



N. E. Nader



M. E. Neal



C. Necking



C. J. Neel



R. Nelbert



R. C. Nix



M. J. Nolen



Pep Squad members showed true school spirit by attending the Fair Park game in spite of the freezing weather and drenching rain to cheer the team to victory.

SENIOR Favorites Chosen



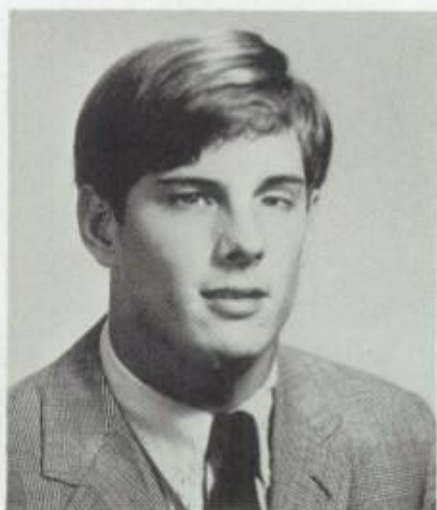
C. R. Norman



J. P. O'Hara



P. A. Olwell



J. C. Overdyke



C. S. Pace



R. S. Page



S. R. Palmer



J. W. Parker



J. B. Payne



R. D. Payne

NORMAN, CINDY RAE: Pep Squad, Drum Corps; Red Cross Alternate; Key Club Sponsor; Gayarre History Club; GUSHER, Editorial Staff; Basketball Court, Sweetheart

O'HARA, JOHN PATRICK: Vice-President, Senior Class; Varsity Club, Treasurer; Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Secretary-Treasurer; Football; Track; Citizen of the Month; Mr. Mistletoe

OLWELL, PATRICIA ANN

OVERDYKE, JERE CECIL: Senior Favorite

PACE, CHARLES STEPHEN

PAGE, REBECCA SUSAN

PALMER, STEVE RYAN

PARKER, JOHN WILLIAM: Key Club, Senior Board Member; Pelican Boys' State Delegate; National Honor Society; Varsity Club, President; Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Co-Captain; Student Council Representative; Science Club; Gayarre History Club; Football Scholastic Award

PAYNE, JOHN BECKWITH: Key Club; Track; Basketball; National Honor Society; National Merit Semi-Finalist; Class Office Nominee; Pelican Boys' State Delegate

PAYNE, ROBERT DAVID



Seniors finally cast their ballots at the long-awaited Senior Favorite election.

From Class of 400.

PEDDY, JOHN THOMAS: Gayarre History Club; Hi-Y; Concert and Marching Band, Senior Lieutenant

PENINGER, KRISTINA VICTORIA

PERKS, KAREN: Pep Squad, Drum Corps; Le Cercle Francais

PERRY, GAYE: Gayarre History Club; Brush and Palette; Drama Club; Junior Medical League

PEYTON, CAROLYN: Future Homemakers of America, Reporter

PICKENS, SHARON MARIE

PLANCHARD, HELENE THERESE: Student Council Representative; Gayarre History Club; Latin Forum, Member-at-Large; Pan American Forum; "High Life," New Page Editor; Student Medical Association

POMEROY, DEBORAH IRENE: Pep Squad; "High Life," New Page Editor; Junior Medical League

PORTER, SHARON LEE: Brush and Palette; Junior Medical League; Office Worker

POSEY, DARRY



J. T. Peddy



K. V. Peninger



K. Perks



G. Perry



C. Peyton



S. M. Pickens



H. T. Planchard



D. I. Pomeroy



S. L. Porter



D. Posey



Susi Royle, Secretary, Red Cross; Bobby Minder, Vice-President, Student Council.

SENIORS Gained Knowledge



A. J. Prater



S. E. Prather



V. L. Prather



A. V. Priest



M. L. Prim



M. E. Rainey



M. Raspberry



R. Raymond



J. A. Reeks



D. R. Reese



Students helped bring knowledge to their classmates through extra reports and projects. Jody D'Anna and Susie Shriver in English IV heard Steve Hightower explain the mystery of the Stonehenge to Miss Margee Sander's English IV Class.

PRATER, ALAN JAY: Debate; National Forensic League, Treasurer; Student Council Executive Committee, Chaplain; Student Council Alternate; Spirit Squad, Secretary-Treasurer; National Merit Letter of Commendation; Baylor and Kansas University Debate Workshops

PRATHER, STEPHEN E.

PRATHER, VICKI LYNN: First Aid Worker; Gayarre History Club; Brush and Palette; Junior Medical League

PRIEST, ANNETTE VIRGINIA

PRIM, MARGARET LOUISE: R.O.T.C. Sponsor; R.O.T.C. Color Team, Sponsor

RAINEY, MARY ELAINE: Choir; Red Cross Representative; Drama Club; Latin Forum

RASBERRY, MICHAEL

RAYMOND, ROBERT

REEKS, JO ANN: Pep Squad; Le Cercle Francais; Gayarre History Club; Latin Forum

REESE, DAVID RANDOLPH: Cooperative Office Education

Through Experience



Susie Shriver, Lt. Colonel, R.O.T.C.; Jere Overdyke, President of Red Cross.

REILY, GAIL FRANCES

RENOIS, WILLIAM LOWELL

RICKS, KIM JARONNE

ROBERTS, NANCY ANNE: Pep Squad, Drum Corps; "High Life," Ad Staff; Mu Alpha Theta, Secretary-Treasurer; Gayarre History Club

ROBINSON, HAROLD TOWNSEND

ROE, BILLIE JEAN: Student Council Representative; Future Teachers of America; Brush and Palette; Gayarre History Club

ROGERS, ELIZABETH TAYLOR: Future Teachers of America, President

ROSE, DONNA GLADYS: Brush and Palette; Junior Medical League; Gayarre History Club; Office Worker

ROSENBLATH, FREDERICK: Football; Varsity Club

ROSS, ALAN NORTH: Spirit Squad; Swim Team; Key Club; Red Cross, Treasurer; Mu Alpha Theta; Science Club



G. F. Reily



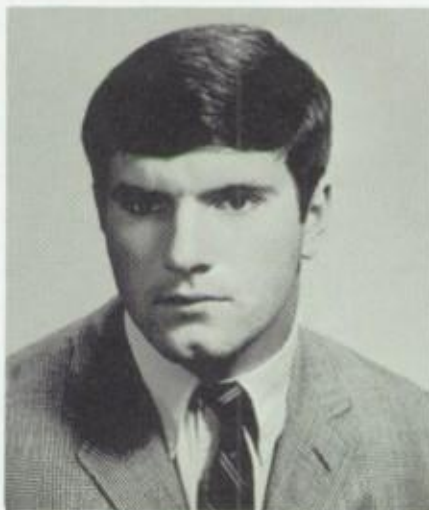
W. L. Renois



K. J. Ricks



N. A. Roberts



H. T. Robinson



B. J. Roe



E. T. Rogers



D. G. Rose



F. Rosenblath



A. N. Ross



S. J. Royle



M. A. Rubenstein



F. Russell



C. F. Sale



C. Sample



W. K. Sample



G. Sandifer



M. J. Sanford



B. E. Savell



S. H. Schwartz

Benefits of Three Years'

ROYLE, SUSAN JANE: Pep Squad, Drum Corps, Sergeant-at-Arms; S.M.U. Pep Squad School; Sam Houston Cheerleading School; Homecoming Cheerleader; Red Cross, Secretary

RUBENSTEIN, MARVIN ALAN: Cooperative Office Education, President

RUSSELL, FRANCESCA: Pep Squad; Latin Forum, Member-at-Large; Le Cercle Francais; Gayarre History Club; Student Council Alternate

SALE, CHARLES FENNER: Student Medical Association, President; Science Club, Vice-President; Red Cross, Vice-President; Latin Forum, Parliamentarian; Interact Club; Gayarre History Club; Math Club

SAMPLE, CAMILLE

SAMPLE, WILLIAM KNIGHTON: Key Club, Sergeant-at-Arms; Red Cross Executive Council; Student Council Representative; Pan American Forum

SANDIFER, GAIL: Concert and Marching Band, Herald; Library Worker; R.O.T.C. Sponsor; Officers and Sponsors Club; Student Council Representative; Pan American Forum

SANFORD, MARTHA JILL: Distributive Education

SAVELL, BUSTER ELMER: Brush and Palette, Publicity Chairman; Spirit Squad

SCHWARTZ, STEVE HENRY



In order to show their ability to climb the ladder of success, Senior Favorites, Phil Watson and Richie Woodall, had to reach the top of their ladder, eat the crackers, and whistle.

Work Rewarded SENIORS



Charles Sale, Vice-President, Red Cross; Kayla Vaughan, Business Manager, "High Life."

SEBASTIAN, TERESA: Math Club; Le Cercle Francais; Junior Medical League

SESSIONS, WILLIAM DOUGLAS

SHAFER, MARY

SHEARER, GLENN STEPHEN: Concert and Marching Band; Gayarre History Club; Science Club; Spirit Squad

SHEFFIELD, MARCIA LENA: Future Homemakers of America; First Aid Worker

SHELTON, TERESA: Brush and Palette, Vice President; Office Worker; Gayarre History Club

SHIDLER, JOHN CHRISTIAN

SHRIVER, MARY SUSAN: Lt. Colonel, R.O.T.C. Sponsor; Officers and Sponsors Club; Silver Saber Platoon Sponsor; Color Guard Sponsor

SHUEY, JOHN MILLER: Red Cross Executive Council; Head Prayer Group Leader; National Honor Society; Mu Alpha Theta, President; National Merit Letter of Commendation; Interact Club; Gayarre History Club; Latin Forum; Science Club; Math Club

SKLAR, SUZANNE IRENE: Gayarre History Club; Junior Medical League; Tennis Team



T. Sebastian



W. D. Sessions



M. Shafer



G. S. Shearer



M. L. Sheffield



T. Shelton



J. C. Shidler



M. S. Shriver



J. F. Shuey



S. I. Sklar

SENIORS Experimented



K. Smith



R. Smith



S. Smith



S. W. Smith



N. A. Spencer



A. R. Stacy



M. M. Stagg



G. D. Statham



D. C. Stephens



P. A. Stephens



A vigorous program of exercise for Senior girls helped develop coordination and improve grace.

SMITH, KATHLEEN: Choir, Chaplain; Pep Squad, Drum Corps; Junior Medical League, Recording Secretary

SMITH, RAYNELLE: Pep Squad; Mu Alpha Theta; National Honor Society; Student Council Alternate; All-State Orchestra; DAR Good Citizenship Award; Phillips Academy, Andover, Massachusetts

SMITH, SONDRRA

SMITH, STEVEN W.: R.O.T.C.; Rifle Team; Officers and Sponsors Club; Spirit Squad; Red Cross Alternate; Science Club

SPENCER, NANCY ANN: Student Council Alternate; L.S.U. Leadership Conference; Pep Squad, Sergeant-at-Arms; S.M.U. Pep Squad School; GUSHER, Editorial Staff; Key Club Sponsor; Homecoming Court, Sweetheart; Class Office Nominee

STACY, ALLAN ROBERT

STAGG, MARGARET MARY: Pep Squad, Drum Corps; "Z" Club; Student Council Representative; School Store Worker

STATHAM, GAYLA DIANNE: Gayarre History Club; Math Club; Future Homemakers of America; Office Worker

STEPHENS, DOROTHY CAROL: Brush and Palette; Office Worker

STEPHENS, PATRICIA ANN

With Elements of Life

STEVENS, EDITH ANN: Pep Squad, Secretary; S.M.U. Pep Squad School; Student Council Alternate; "Z" Club; National Honor Society, Secretary; Class Office Nominee; Interact Club Sponsor; Prayer Group Leader

STIGALL, CAROLYN

STODDARD, POLLY CORNELIA ELIZABETH: Pep Squad, Drum Corps; Pan American Forum; Brush and Palette; Gayarre History Club

STONECIPHER, ELLIOTT BOND: Student Council, Treasurer; Concert Choir, President; Hi-Y, President; Fellowship of Christian Athletes; Pelican Boys' State Delegate; Baseball; Louisiana Association of Student Councils Workshop; Southern Association of Student Councils Convention

STONEROCK, LELA IRMA

STREET, MARVIN: R.O.T.C.; Rifle Team Commander; Drill Team; Battalion Special Staff

STROKER, KATHLEEN TERESE

STROUD, VIRGINIA: Brush and Palette; Le Cercle Francais; Junior Medical League

STUCKEY, CAROLYN ELIZABETH: Pep Squad, Drum Corps; Pelican Girls' State Alternate; Quill and Scroll President; School Store Worker; "Z" Club; Gayarre History Club; "High Life," Ad Salesman

SUMTER, MICHAEL TIMOTHY: Football; Senior Class, Sergeant-at-Arms; Student Council Representative; Varsity Club



E. A. Stevens



C. Stigall



P. C. E. Stoddard



E. B. Stonecipher



L. E. Stonerock



M. Street



K. T. Stroker



V. Stroud



C. E. Stuckey



M. T. Sumter



Humanities students learned many things about life and philosophy through reading, watching films, and discussing.

SENIORS Volunteered Their



L. S. Swafford



L. F. Tanner



R. T. Tate



B. B. Taylor



W. C. Teague



T. W. Teasley



J. G. Teekell



M. Terzia



M. Thomas



D. R. Thorton

SWAFFORD, LARRY SCOTT JR.

TANNER, LESLIE FISHER: Fellowship of Christian Athletes; Football; Basketball, Manager

TATE, ROY TRAVIS

TAYLOR, BEVERLY ELAINE: Pep Squad; Red Cross Representative; Gayarre History Club; Junior Medical League; Brush and Palette

TEAGUE, WILLIAM CHANDLER: Gayarre History Club; Latin Forum; GUSHER, Editorial Staff

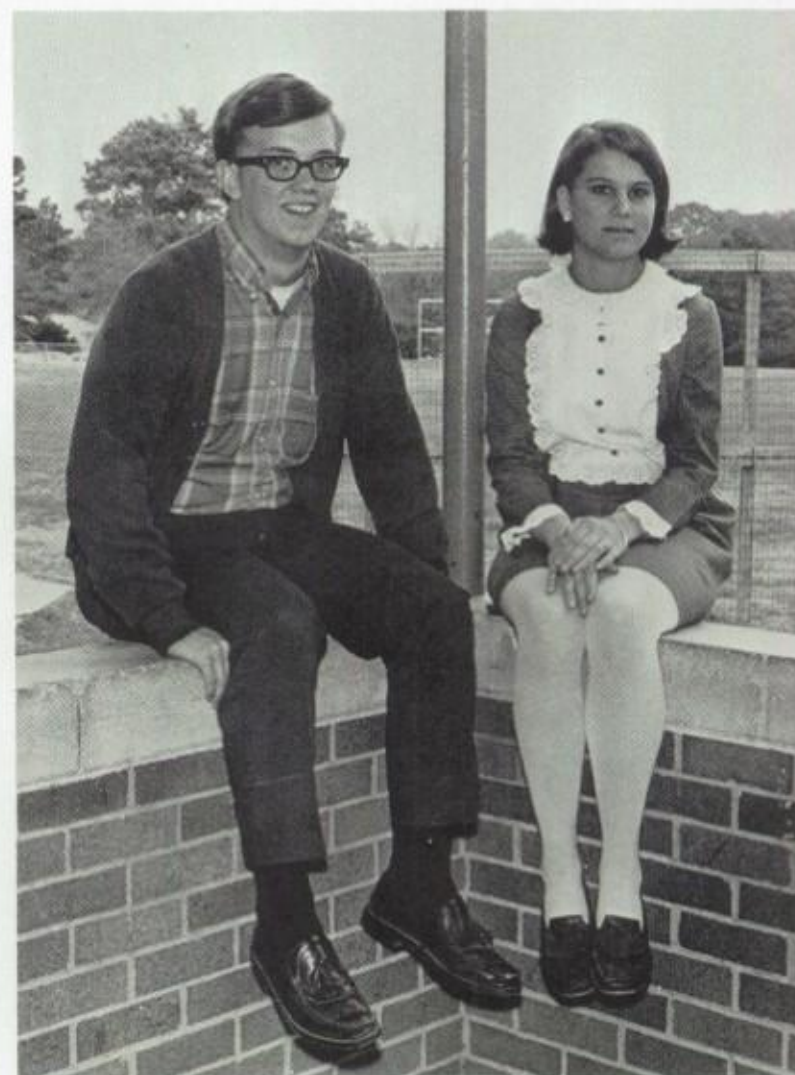
TEASLEY, THOMAS WYNN: Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Co-Captain; Football; Varsity Club; Interact Club, President

TEEKELL, JUDSON GRAY

TERZIA, MARTHA: Gayarre History Club; Junior Medical League; Office Worker; Le Cercle Francais

THOMAS, MARTHA: Band; Pan American Forum

THORTON, DEWEY REESE



Elliot Stonecipher, Treasurer, Student Council; Sandy Verhalen, Advertising Manager, "High Life."

Time for Service

THORTON, KATHRYN FRANCIS

TILBURY, ROSS CLAUDE

TOMBLESON, THOMAS ELDRIGE

TOMKIES, MELODIE

TRAYLOR, SHARON CEGAIL

TRICHEL, CHARLES B.

TRICHEL, SARAH CATHERINE: Pep Squad; GUSHER, Editorial Staff; Red Cross Representative; Latin Forum; "Z" Club

TUCKER, CATHERINE: Pep Squad, Drum Corps; "Z" Club; Gayarre History Club

TURNER, JAMES RAY

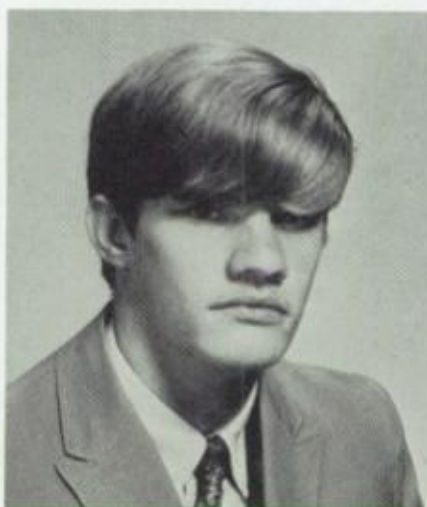
TURNER, JANIS CANDLER: Pep Squad; Choir; Red Cross Alternate; Pan American Forum



K. F. Thorton



R. C. Tilbury



T. E. Tombleson



M. Tomkies



S. C. G. Traylor



C. B. Trichel



S. C. Trichel



C. Tucker



J. R. Turner



J. C. Turner



Martha Terzia and Lora Grounds checked the attendance cards for absentees during their study hall period which they forfeited in order to help in the office.

SENIORS Assumed



S. E. Turner



V. E. Turner



S. Twomey



V. Valentine



K. Vaughan



S. B. Verhalen



C. R. Waits



V. C. Walke



C. D. Wallace



L. W. Wallace



Senior boys attended a series of assemblies, required by the State Department of Education, to inform them of their military obligations. Each assembly was presented by a different branch of the Armed Forces.

TURNER, SUSAN EILEEN

TURNER, VICKI ELAINE

TWOMEY, SHERINEL: Junior Medical League; Brush and Palette; Office Worker; Red Cross Representative; Operation P.A.L.

VALENTINE, VICKI

VAUGHAN, KAYLA: Pep Squad, Drum Corps; "High Life," Business Manager; Quill and Scroll; Gayarre History Club; Student Council Representative

VERHALEN, SANDRA BOBBETTE: Pep Squad, Drum Corps; "High Life," Advertising Manager; L.S.U. Leadership Conference; Student Council Alternate; Latin Forum, Member-at-Large; Future Homemakers of America; Gayarre History Club; Quill and Scroll, Vice-President

WAITS, CYNTHIA RUTH: Latin Forum; Brush and Palette; Gayarre History Club

WALKE, VIRGINIA CAVEN: Pep Squad; Homecoming Court, Maid; Student Council Representative; Latin Forum; Los Vecinos; "Z" Club; Treasurer; Senior Class; GUSHER, Business Manager; L.S.U. Leadership Conference; Senior Favorite

WALLACE, CHARLES DOUGLAS

WALLACE, LARRY WAYNE

Positions of Leadership



Phil Watson, Cheerleader; Ginny Walke, Business Manager, GUSHER.



P. L. Walsworth



M. T. Warren



P. M. Watson



P. A. Watson



F. Watts



C. Wayman



J. F. Welch



D. L. Westmoreland



J. M. Wheeler



M. A. Whitaker

WALSWORTH, PATRICIA LEE

WARREN, MARK TAYLOR: Student Medical League, Sergeant-at-Arms; Latin Forum; Spirit Squad

WATSON, PAUL MICHAEL

WATSON, PHILIP ALAN: Cheerleader; Sam Houston Cheerleading School; Gayarre History Club, President; Key Club; Parliamentarian, Senior Class; Debate; National Forensic League; Senior Favorite

WATTS, FANNELL: Choir; Los Vecinos

WAYMAN, CYNTHIA: Future Teachers of America, President; Drama Club; Operation P.A.L.

WELCH, JAMES FLOYD: National Honor Society; Interact Club, Treasurer; Latin Forum

WESTMORELAND, DOUGLAS LAWRENCE

WHEELER, JOHNNY MALCOLM

WHITAKER, MARY ANNE

Graduation Was the



M. S. White



P. L. Whited



R. G. Whitener



E. N. Whitlock



M. J. Williams



M. P. Williams



M. Willingham



P. D. Willis



M. L. Wilson



I. Woodall

WHITE, MARTHA SUSAN: Pep Squad; Student Council Alternate; "High Life," Managing Editor; Quill and Scroll.

WHITED, PATRICIA LYNNE: GUSHER, Business Staff; Pep Squad, Treasurer; S.M.U. Pep Squad School; Quill and Scroll; "Z" Club; Le Cercle Francais; Red Cross Alternate; Interact Sponsor; Pelican Girls' State Alternate; National Forensic League; National Honor Society; Mu Alpha Theta

WHITENER, RALPH GARY: Math Club; Science Club; Gayarre History Club

WHITLOCK, ESTHER NADINE

WILLIAMS, MARGARET JANE: Choir, Secretary

WILLIAMS, MATTIE PEARL: Distributive Education

WILLINGHAM, MICHELE: Pep Squad, Drum Corps; Drama Club, President; Gayarre History Club; Le Cercle Francais; Brush and Palette

WILLIS, PAMELA DAVIES: Pep Squad; Le Cercle Francais; Gayarre History Club; GUSHER, Editorial Staff

WILSON, MARTHA LAUREE: Student Council Executive Committee, Publicity Chairman; Operation P.A.L.; Junior Medical League, President; Brush and Palette; Gayarre History Club

WOODALL, IRENE



Roslyn Murov measured Michele Willingham for a graduation cap while Mary Mika recorded the size and Pam Willis, Craig Flournoy, and Kim Kayser waited in line.

Goal for SENIORS



Richie Woodall, Head Cheerleader; Martin Young, Business Manager, "High Life."

WOODALL, RICHLINN JARROTT: Cheerleader; Sam Houston Cheerleading School; Pelican Girls' State Delegate; Homecoming Court, Queen; Secretary, Senior Class; "Z" Club; Key Club Sponsor; Optimist "Pat-em-on-the-back" Award; Brush and Palette; Student Council Representative; Senior Favorite

WOODARD, PATSY ELAINE

WOOLHANDLER, STEPHANIE JOAN: Pep Squad, Drum Corps; Debate, University of Arkansas Speech Workshop; Le Cercle Francais; National Honor Society; National Merit Semi-Finalist; Mu Alpha Theta; National Forensic League

WRIGHT, RICHARD CARTER

YORK, SUSAN DALE: Pep Squad; Red Cross Executive Council

YOUNG, MARTIN SIDNEY: Red Cross Representative; "High Life," Business Manager; Quill and Scroll

ZENTER, JOHN C.: R.O.T.C.; Officers and Sponsors Club; Drill Team; Mu Alpha Theta; National Honor Society; Band; All-State Orchestra

ZIFFLE, JEANNIE



R. J. Woodall



P. E. Woodard



S. J. Woolhandler



R. C. Wright



S. D. York



M. S. Young

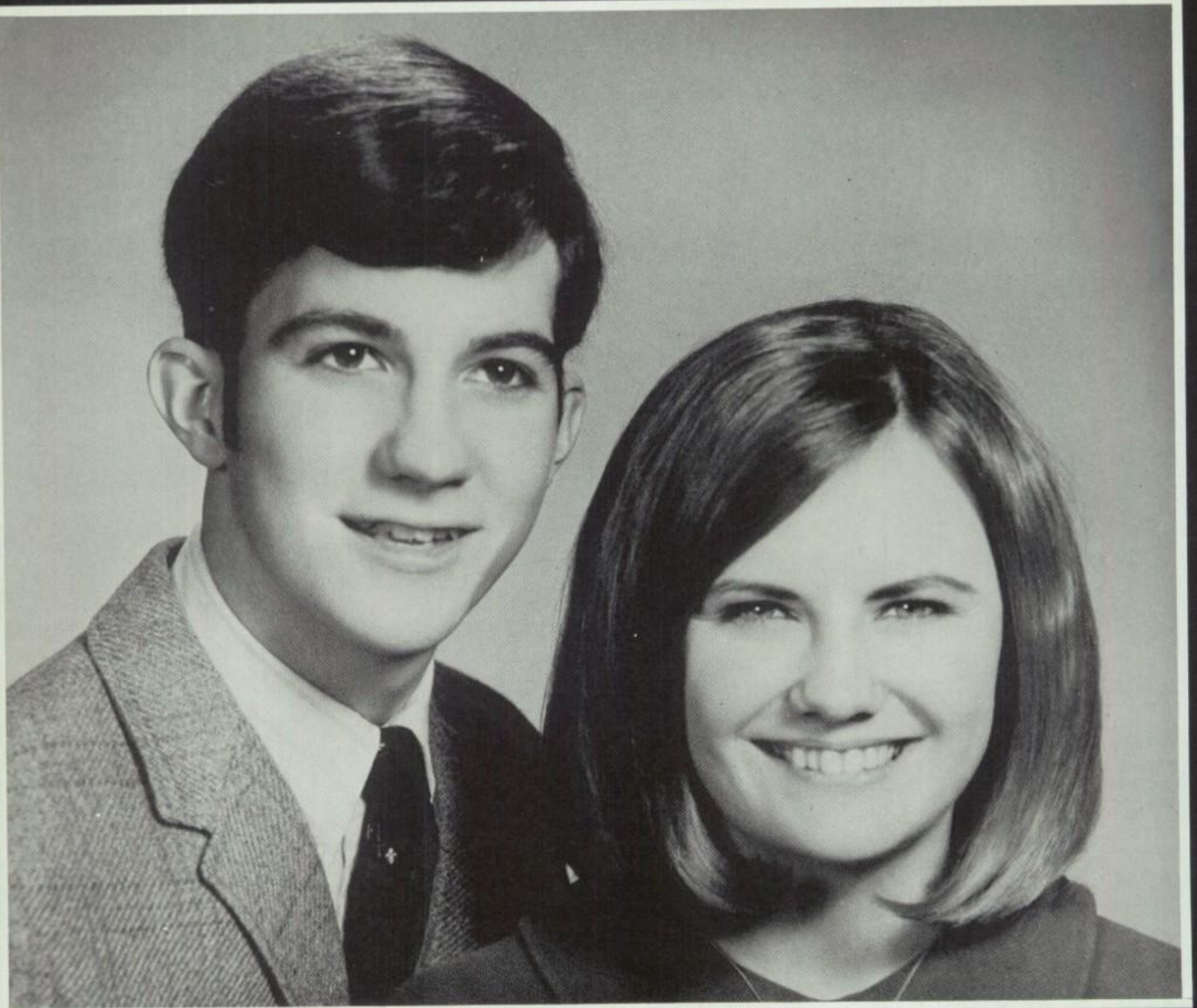


J. C. Zenter



J. Ziffle

Mr. and Miss Gusher



Richard Randall Hawkins

Each year the GUSHER Staff has the pleasure of selecting one senior boy and girl to represent the year-book as Mr. and Miss GUSHER. To qualify for this distinction a person must have contributed three years of service to Byrd and also have outstanding character traits. Members of the GUSHER Staff are not eligible for this honor. It is with great pride that we, the GUSHER Staff of 1969, present Mr. and Miss GUSHER, Rick Hawkins and Nancy Coats.

Rick has indeed served Byrd well during the past three years. An active member of the Latin Forum as a sophomore, Rick was elected President of the Thespian Society in his junior year. In addition he was a Pelican Boys' State Alternate and a member of the Brush and Palette, Interact, and Gayarre History Clubs. A Captain in the R.O.T.C., Rick had a very busy senior year at Byrd. He served on the Executive Committee of the Student Council and was Manager of the School Store. He was also Editor of the *Stentor*, Byrd's literary magazine, and a Prayer Group Leader as well. Rick participated in the Concert Choir and Officers and Sponsors Club. He wrote numerous skits which were presented in various assemblies throughout the year. Rick earned the Optimist Pat-Em-on-the-Back Award for his leadership and service to his school and

Nancy Jean Coats

Nancy has proven herself to be a necessary and important part of the city of Byrd. She has been an active member of Le Cercle Francais for three years. In addition to representing her homeroom as a Red Cross Alternate, Nancy was elected to the "Z" Club and Pep Squad during her junior year. She was also nominated for a Student Council office and served on the 1968 Track Court. As a senior she served on the Executive Committee of the Student Council as Co-Chairman of the Recreation Committee. This required an immense amount of time and effort as she helped to plan and coordinate such projects as Basketball Day and Go West Day. To add to her busy senior year she was a Prayer Group Leader and a Brotherhood Week Speaker. She represented Byrd well at Pelican Girls' State, having been elected Senator. Serving in the Drum Corps, Nancy worked endlessly to help bolster spirit among the students of Byrd.

Through their many hours of devoted service to Byrd, Rick and Nancy have shown a true loyalty to their school and have set a fine example for their fellow students. It is for this reason that we proudly bestow upon them the title of Mr. and Miss GUSHER for 1969.

Gusher Staff Presents Senior Favorites



Within the city of Byrd are numerous duties and responsibilities calling for work and dedication of the many citizens in the school. In order that these duties may be evenly distributed among the students, a student may hold only one major office and one minor office, or three minor offices. The holders of these major offices have been recognized in the pages of the Senior Section.

Senior Favorite is an honorary office held by twelve senior girls and boys who were elected as a result of popular vote by their class in a special assembly. This year, the results of the election were kept secret until February 13, when members of the GUSHER Staff announced the winners of the Senior Favorite Assembly, by requiring each favorite to display certain talents such as dancing and acting.

A somewhat different honorary office is that of Mr. and Miss GUSHER. The entire GUSHER Staff takes part in the nomination and election of these two outstanding citizens. Each of the nominees must have attended Byrd for three years, made valuable contributions to the school, shown service qualities, and must not be a member of the GUSHER Staff.

On this page, the eight runner-ups for Senior Favorites have been recognized. In the following section are the Senior Favorites of 1969 pictured according to their number of votes. The entire Senior Class may be assured that as they walk down the road of life, they may always remember the wide friendship and warm feeling which existed in their class, represented by these loyal and trustworthy twelve.





Favorites



1969 Senior



Favorites

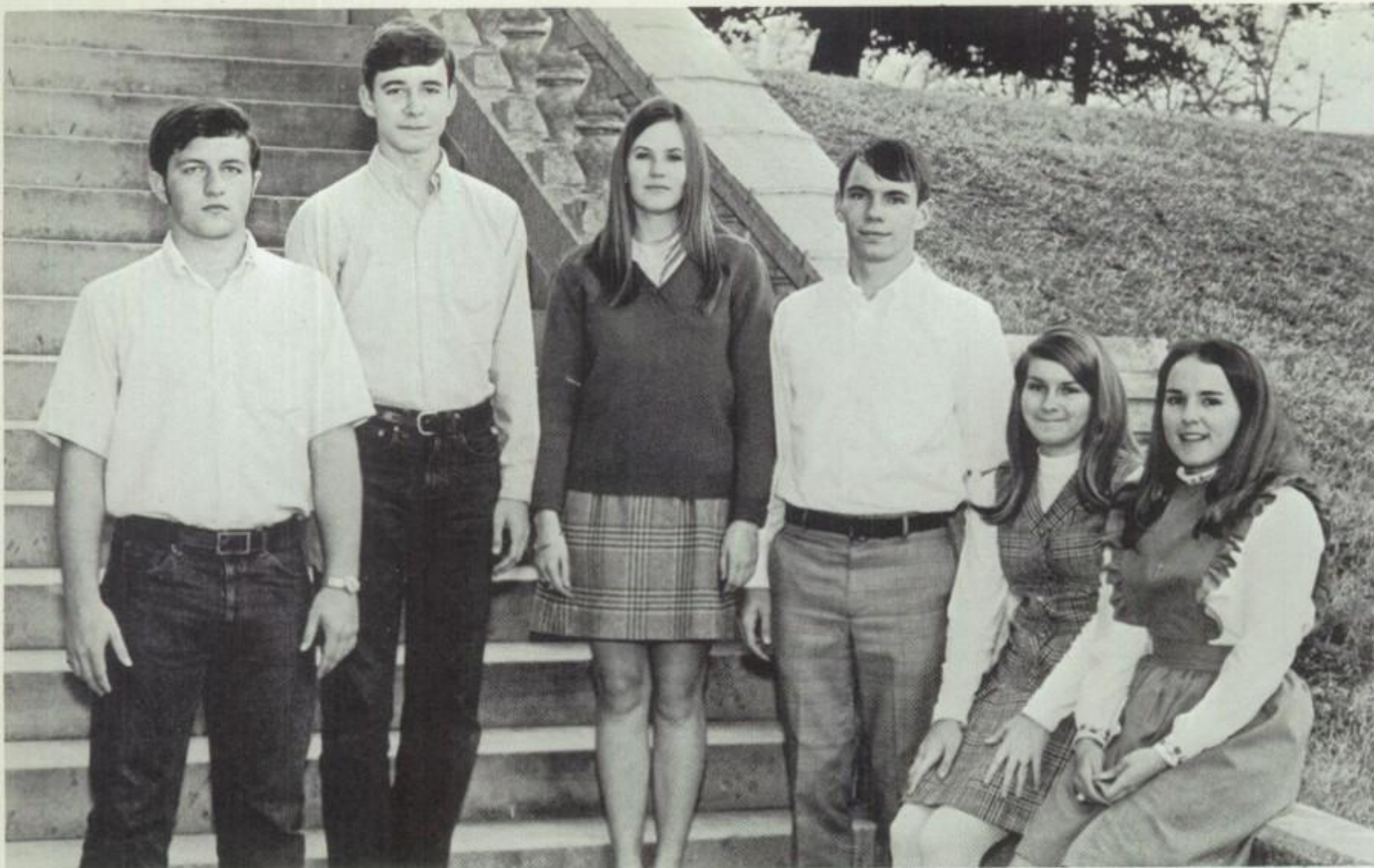






Jere Cecil Overdyke

Katherine Diane Ashom



Serving as class officers for the 1968-69 Junior Class were Grey Townsend, Parliamentarian; Barron O'Neal, President; Julia Minor, Secretary; Bill Clark, Sergeant-at-Arms; Anne Pou, Treasurer; and Ann Thorne-Thomson, Vice-President.

JUNIORS initiated new



Chosen by the Junior Class as nominees for class officers were Scooter Swann, Ann Younker, Perry Peyton, Rebel Brown, Cecilia Robertson, and John Morgan.

"Go Jackets! Sting 'em!" cried the enthusiastic Juniors, as they competed for the spirit stick at a pep rally. Becoming the first class to win the spirit stick, which was established this year at Byrd, the Juniors exhibited the most enthusiasm during the week of the Airline football game. The cheerleaders presented the award in assembly after each individual class displayed its enthusiasm by yelling and cheering. The Juniors won the stick again at a later pep rally. They further contributed to athletic support by painting numerous posters and banners for the games.

Highlighting the year was the Junior Prom, based on the theme of an "Old South Ball." Students experimented with new methods of raising money for the prom. Representatives from each English III class were chosen to supervise their classes in selling cakes and donuts. Juniors collected truckloads of newspapers and magazines, and presented a Junior-Faculty basketball game. Funds raised from these money-making projects were spent on elaborate decorations, which transformed the Crystal Ballroom into a picturesque Southern plantation. Mouse and the Traps provided music for the event.

In addition to these projects, the Juniors gave their time and effort to assemblies, clubs, athletics, and spirit organizations, and pledged to "keep on keeping on" as they looked forward to their final year of service to the City of Byrd.



Stingerettes Sharon Gates, Charlee Smith, Ann Thorne-Thomsen, and Judy Cohen assisted in preparing refreshments for a party honoring the basketball team. The Junior Pep Squad ordered a huge cake decorated with the words, "Jacket Spirit Never Gonna Die!"

Ideas at Byrd



Lecturing to American history students, Yourie Dozier, Steve Goodgion, and Debbie Gower, Mr. Samuel Davis stated, "The Kansas-Nebraska Act plunged the nation into further disputes over slavery."



One of several aids used in learning foreign languages is the tape recorder. Spanish students Laura Sealy and Mary Ann Tindol straightened the tape while Anne Pou prepared to record a dialogue.

JUNIORS Gained Valuable



Claudia Lea Adams
David Hubert Adams

Daniel Adams
Delores Alford



Spring is the season for research papers, and juniors throughout Byrd found it a new, time-consuming experience. In preparing their papers, the students made frequent use of the school's library facilities.



Frank Arthur Allen

Littleberry Calhoun
Allen

Nancy Land Allen

William Mims Allums

Christopher Barr
Anthony

Helen Marie Atkins



Esther Ruth Bains
William Thomas Blansett

Thomas Foreman
Berry
Thomas Harbin
Boddie



Deborah Elizabeth Betts
William Thomas Boddie

Don Alan Birkelbach
Bruce James Bode

Ricky Lynn Blalock
James Bernard Bolton

Experience Through Research



James Arthur Bradford
Julie Ann Brown

Michael Wayne
Broussard
Rebecca Elaine Brown

Bryan Turner Brown
Emmett Luke Bryan

Connie Gwynn Brown
Marilou Bryant

Deborah Ann Brown
Sandra Lynn Bryant



Kimberly Bullock

Peggy Dean Burgans

Travis Stanton Bussey

Rossary Anne Callaway

Gloria Ann Campbell

Janet Marie Carson



Travis Raymond Carter
Tara Lynn Clancy

Gary Laine Cascio
John Michael Clark

Cynthia Chamberlain
William Charles Clark

Sherry Diane Chandler
Tom Carlton Cochran

Donna Kay Chase
Bryan Herman Cockerham



Judy Lynn Cohen



Frederick James Colbert



Maud Adalyn Cole



Glenn Coleman



Linda Louise Collins



Dorinda Dian Cook

JUNIORS Studied Literature



Katherine Coombs
Gary Alexander
Covington



Chester Albert Cooper
Vickie Diane Crain



David William Copp
Debbie Alana Crawford



John Duke Cordell
Harry Thurman Crawford



Chanda Jan Covington
Katherine Adger
Crawford



Nancy Adelaide Creamer
Levetta Mary Davis



Gayle Lynn Cruikshank
Jennifer Lynn DeHart



Diana Earlene Culver
Raul Zuniga De Lafuente



Jon Kimbrough
Cunningham
Lisbeth Gayle Dodson



Charmaine Davenport
Penny Lea Dove





Jean Dover

Yourie Leonous Dozier

Donna Dunbar

Susan Patrice Ebarb

John Christopher Eddy

Alicia Irene Edwards

of American Authors



Thomas Jackson Elbert
Martha Jean Fluker

Suzanne Ellis
Mary Virginia Fortson

Leon Lewis Emanuel
Carolyn Foster



Charles Glenn Fallin
Shirley Louise Foster

Terri Lane Felker
James Frank Fowler



William Louis Fraser
Catherine Jean Fryer

Michael Charles Freeman
Robert Louis Fulton



In preparation for a study of contemporary American authors, Laura Mercer pointed out a bulletin board display to her classmates in Junior English.

JUNIORS Contributed to



Janet Kay Gammill
Linda Gayle Goode

Sharon Ann Gates
Michael Edgar Goodroe



Sally Connell Gee
Gerald Lynn Gordey

Cynthia Ann Gibson
Deborah Gail Gower

Betty Jean Gillie
James Hugh Graham



One of the highlights of the football season was the Peep Show, in which Jimmy Trichel characterized "Little Bo Peep." Drum Corps members Carolyn Stuckey and Molly Nolen provided make-up and costume for the character.



John David Graham
Paul Green

Barbara Ann Green
William Lewis Greene



Karen Lee Griswold

Mary Gale Guess

Robert Michael Guillot

Nancy Jane Guin

Lindsay Jane Hadra

Andrew Peter Hall

a Successful Peep Show



Rebecca Lynn Hall
Patrick Hough
Harrington

Thomas Lemly Ham
Larice Eugene Hatcher

Martha Ann Hamilton
William Ray Hatcher

Judith May Hardtner
Ivy Bratton Hedcock

Timothy Wayne Hardy
Daniel Henderson



Gilbert Hetherwick
Joyce Anne
Hollingsworth

Charlie Mae Hicks
Randy Wayne Holloway

Sheryl Diane Hines
James Stewart Holt

Walter Harrison Holder
James Stokes Hold

Janice Elaine Holland
Alice Marie Hunter



James Weldon Innis

Kathy Louise Jackson

Harriett Alexander
Jennette

Bernard Slattery Johnson

Ted Stanley Johnson

Frances Elizabeth Jones



Marion James Jones



Ginellen Joyner



Benjamin Chamberlin
King



James Stephen King



Mary Ann King



Merrel Douglas King

JUNIORS Competed for



Ingeborg Inga Kreis
Emily Antoinette Lafitte



Jonathan David Krepak
Kathleen Lamberty



Bonnie Carol Kupper
Thomas Eugene Landrum



Martha Kurz
Bruce Allan Lazarus



Robert Kyle
Howell Dickson Levy



Cynthia Rose Lindenmayer
Mary Daniell Long



Robert Mitchell Little
Kathleen Ruth McBride



Students crowded the "Golden Slipper Saloon" in the basement on Go West Day to enjoy suckers and ice cold lemonade.



Mary Elizabeth McBroom



Townsend Lucy McCabe



Michael Allen McCoy



John McCuen



Lawrence Clyde McIntosh



Glenn Ray McKibben

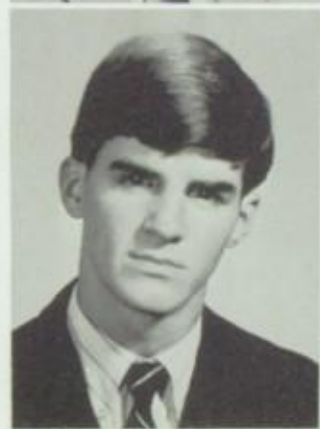
Spirit Stick on Go West Day



Joe Don Madden
David Richard Martin



Shelia Sue Maleby
Janet Kathryn Marvin



Joseph Richards Malec
Patricia Kaye Massey



Mike Ross Malone
Floyd Leon Maxey



Benjamin Ray Martin
Laura Lynn Mercer



Paula Ann Merritt
Carla Jean Mitchell



Stephen Eugene Middleton
Beverly Montgomery



Louis Elbert Miller
Randall John Moody



Vicki Lee Miller
Eugene Michael Moreau



Julia Noel Minor
David Lee Morgan

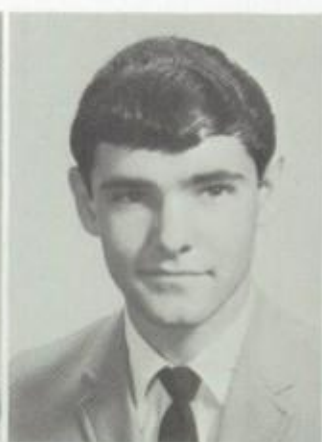


JUNIORS Gained



John Lee Morgan
Pattie Jeanette Naranjo

Lee Nicholson Morris
Shirley Moureen Naranjo



Patricia Ann Murphy
Carolyn Querbes Nelson

William Wayne Murphy
Michael Wayne Newman

Carol Ann Murray
Herbert William Norton



Nancy Marion Ogletree

Barron Johns O'Neal

Candace Kay Pardue

Dianne Parks

Jimmy Francis Patterson

John William Pearce



Homer Peel
Paul Allen Porterfield

Elizabeth Ann Pennington
Mark Shelton Posey



Edward Nelson Petty
Dale Adrienne Poss

Weldon Herbert Peyton
Anne Marie Pou

Ruth Marie Pickens
Vickie Patrice Procell

Experience in Athletics



Physical education plays an important role in every junior boy's school curriculum. Albert McWilliams, Mike Swinney, and Jon Cordell made use of weights and bars to perform isometric exercises.



Whitney Quinn
Tommie Clyde Ray

Walter Ray Ramming
Lena Elizabeth
Richardson



Dewey Samuel Ricord

James Matthew Riser

Marsha Louise Robertson

Mary Cecilia Robertson

Elizabeth Roos

Helen Marie Rosenkrans



Herbert Ray Rubenstein
Wesley Randal Scoggin

Michael Wayne Sayers
Laura Celeste Sealy

Thomas Edward Scales
William Woodbridge
Sentell

Robert Earl Scates
Kenith Wayne Shaw

Charles Frederick Scholz
William Harte Shaw



Dianna Rae Shelton
William Osborne
Simmons

Stephen Craig Sheppert
Charlee Aileen Smith

Thelma Elizabeth Shields
Shirley Dalzell Smith

Elaine Laconia Shipp
Paula Marge Sneed

Henrietta Short
David Ray Sprawls

JUNIORS Terminated the



Oscar Jerome Stamper
Mark Duane Strand

Albert Francis Stentz
Patricia Marie Stroker

David Lynn Stephens
James Singleton Swann

Eugene Bardwell Stigall
Mike Hayward Swinney

Marcus Donald Stone
Denise Anne Switzer



Paulette Louise Tanner

Willard Maron Tarver

Mary Elizabeth Terrill

Douglas Thomas

Ken Clark Thomas

Rose Thompson



Ann Thorne-Thomsen
James Russell Trichel

Steven Ray Thorton
Randall Clay Turner

Charles Edward Thrash
Jennifer Jean Ussery

Mary Ann Tindol
Thomas Vowels

Herbert Grey Townsend
Jimmy Slattery Walker

Year with Old South Ball



Sarah Allie Walker
Barton Brewster Wilder

Vina Stasia Washeleski
Susanna Wilkes

James Bynum Willcox

Jimmie Russell Webb
Barbara Williams

Timothy Allison Wells
Michael Reddell
Williams

Lynn Averil Westbrook
Ruth Ann Willis



Christopher Lee
Wilmoth

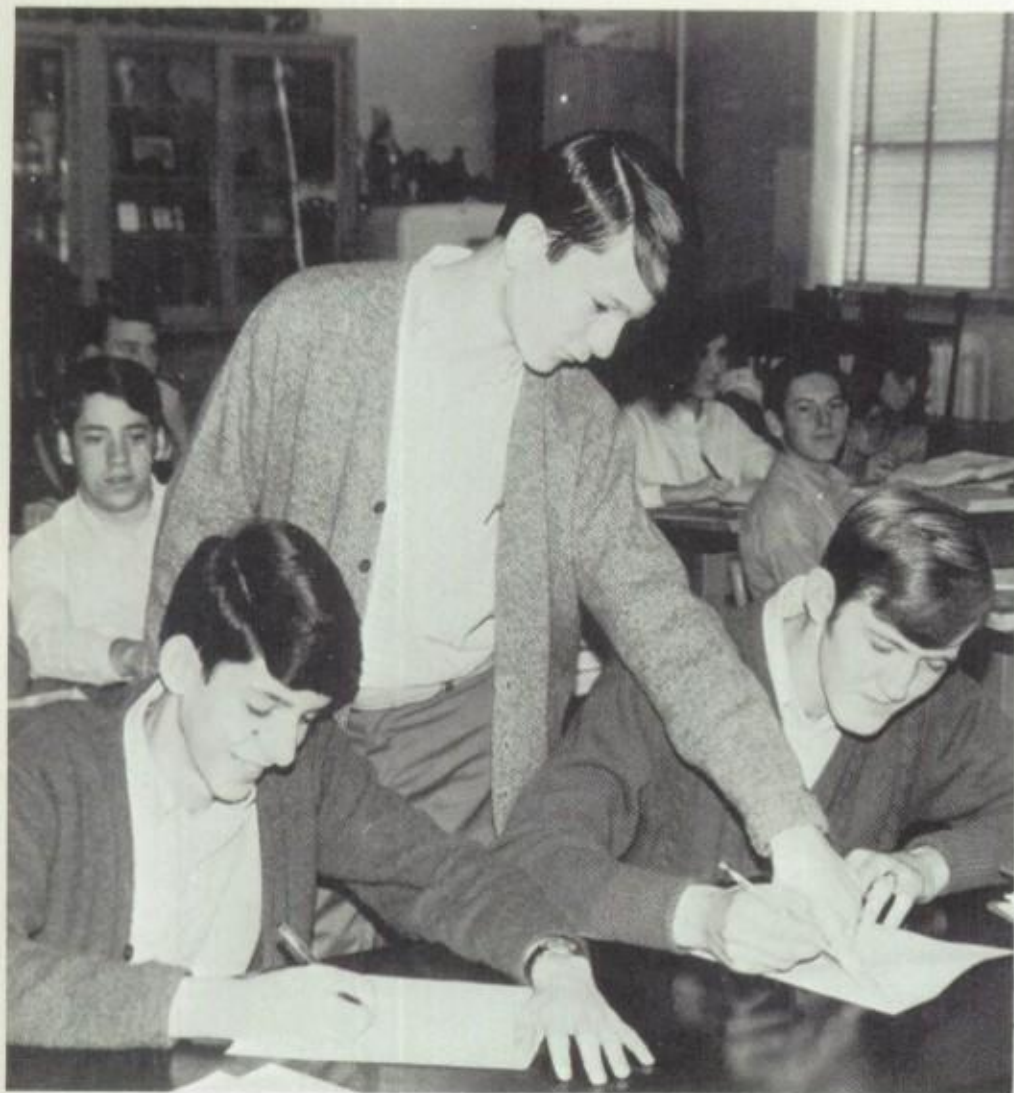
Linda Jean Wilson

James Denton
Wolfenberger

John Paul Woodley

Susan Yvonne Young

Ann Wyatt Younger



Robert Tyson pointed out the spaces to write the ward and precinct numbers to Nicky Jordan and Tommy Harper as they eagerly registered, for their first time, to vote in the Student Council elections.

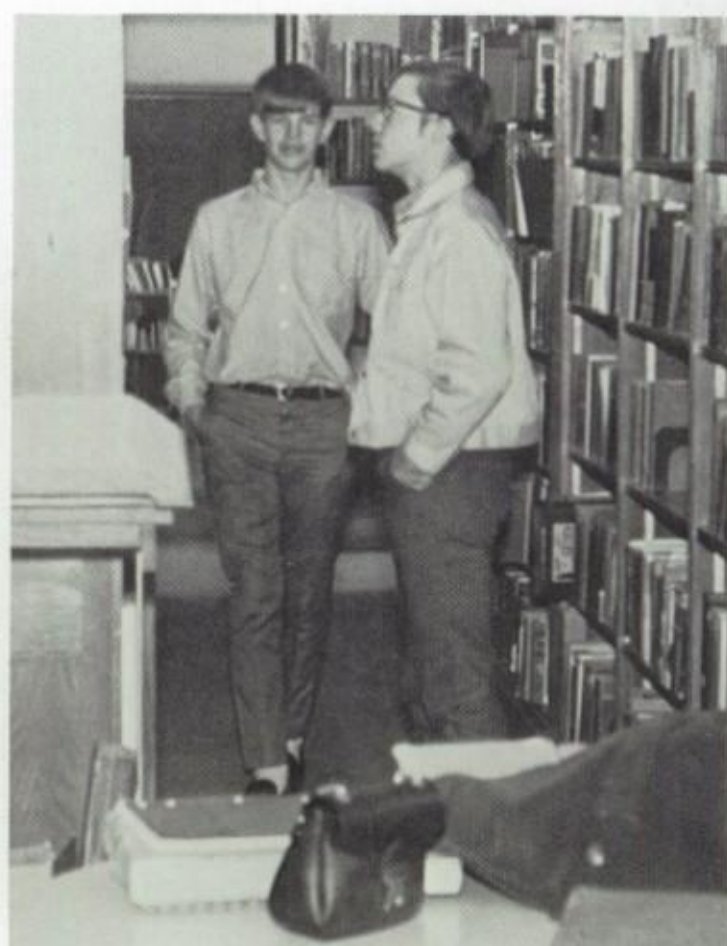
Whether cheering for the spirit stick, painting banners for "Go West Day," or working on fund-raising drives, members of the Sophomore Class took an active part in school functions. They astounded the rest of the student body with their tremendous displays of spirit in the assemblies. Many sophomores represented their homerooms on the Student Council and the Red Cross. They were elected as officers of numerous organizations and as members in the Key Club, the "Z" Club, and Interact. Sophomores contributed three lettermen to the football team, and they proved to be extremely valuable on both the basketball and track teams.

Rather than attend school in a new modern building, the sophomores chose to come to Byrd and share in the Jacket traditions. Many members of the class distinguished themselves as leaders, and by the ways they have met the many new challenges which they have faced this year, sophomores have proved, beyond a doubt, their ability to carry on the traditions of Byrd with the high standards set by the classes during past years.

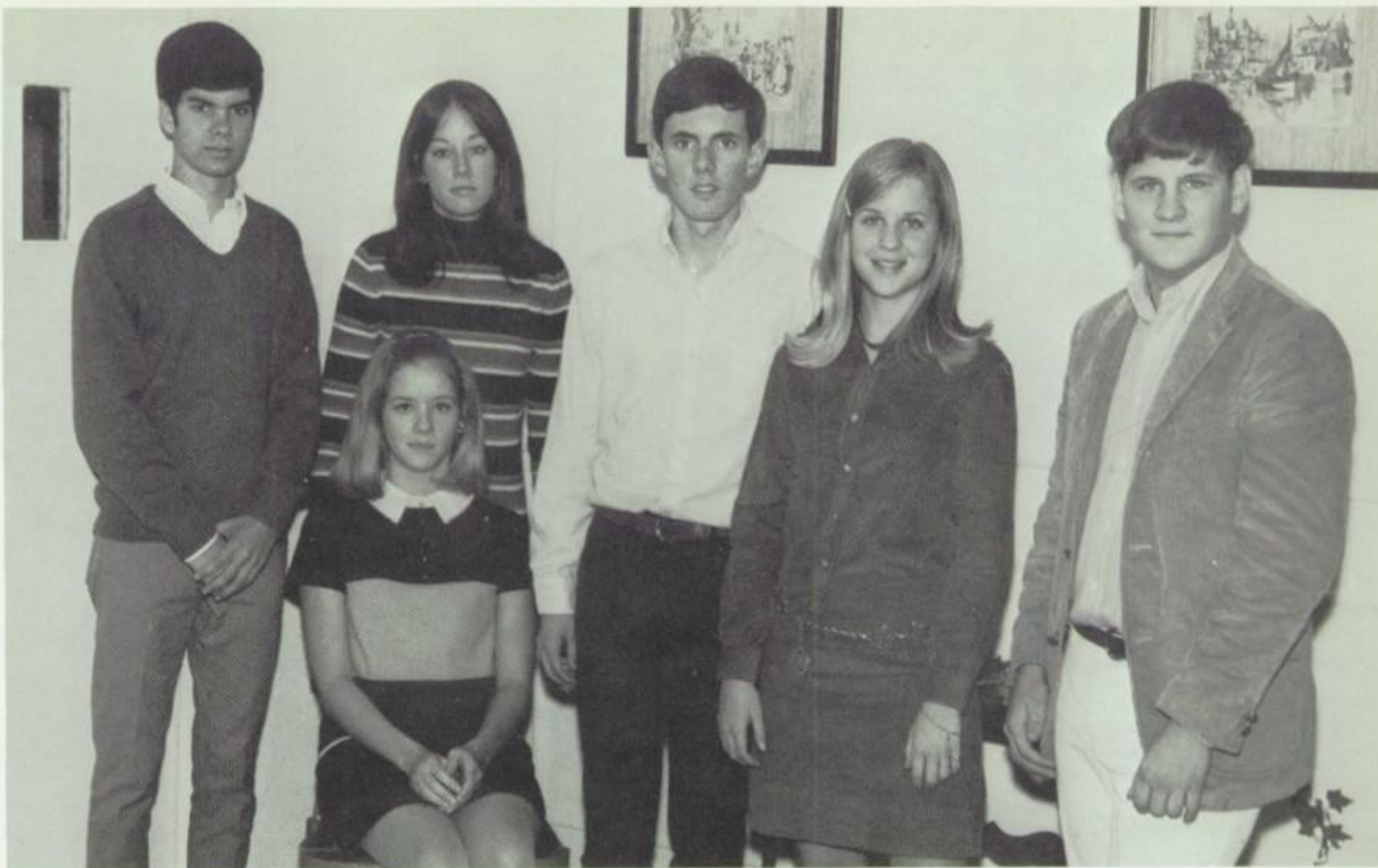
Jacket Standards Challenged



Jerry Simonds, Mike Pierce, and Tommy Palmer worked amid geranium plants and hanging vines to re-pot the tiny tomato plants so that the tomatoes would be ripe and healthy during the Christmas Season.



Alan Murphy and Eric Johnson carefully searched for a good novel to read and review after Miss Dianne Dunn and Mrs. Lucille Tindol had instructed their class in how to best use the library.



Those honored as being elected officers for the 1969 Sophomore Class were: *Front row:* Becky Palmer, Parliamentarian. *Second row:* Jim Cowles, Vice President; Gay Stacy, Treasurer; Steve Redden, President; Frances Kayser, Secretary; Bill Shaw, Sergeant-at-Arms.

SOPHOMORES



To be nominated for a class office is, in itself, a great honor. The sophomore nominees were: *Front row:* Orie Hunter, Bobby Bagley. *Second row:* Mary McCormick, Julie Weimar, Jimmy Davis, Jim Mays, Chuck Knight, Paul Massey.



Linda Jeanette
Abercrombie
Mike James
Bankston

Alecia Susan
Adcock
Mark Alan Barrett



Roy John Armor
Mary Colleen Beene

Tommie Jean
Ashley
Henry James
Bethley

Thomas Hauf
Bachman
George Raymond
Bienfang

Bobby Ray Bagley
Robert Houston
Blanchard

SOPHOMORES Were Enriched Through



Lucian Blansett
David Lane Brannon
Nelson Welch
Cameron
Elizabeth Ruth
Cassard

Rebecca Sue
Bloodworth
Pamela Thomas
Brown
Lavonda Dianne Camp
Barbara Jane Clark



Allan Russell
Bradley
Wanda Dianne
Bryon
Michael Campbell
James Nathan
Collinsworth

Alton Ross Bradley
Don Buckingham
Charles Thomas
Carter
David Thomas
Colvin

Steven Mark Brainis
Anne Kimberlin
Butcher
Kathleen Carter
Sherri Lynn Cornett

Pamela Ann
Branham
Lewell Stephen
Butler
Owen Raymond
Carter
Pamela Anne
Courtney



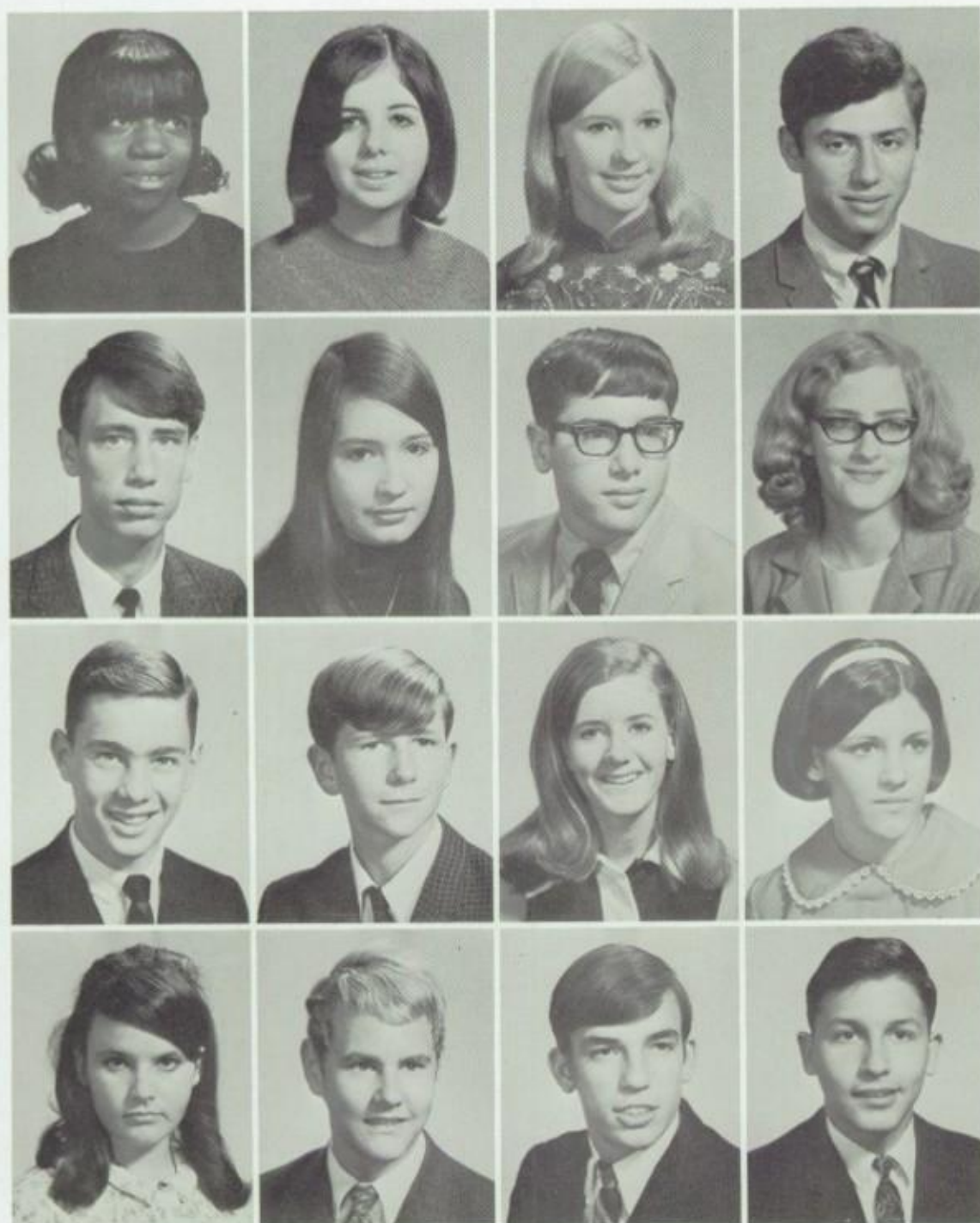
Lamar Thompson and James Holt read the notices posted outside the R.O.T.C. office. R.O.T.C. is one of Byrd's largest and most active organizations.



James Glenn Cowles
Donna Crawford

Michael Frederick
Crane
Nelda Gay Crofford

New Activities and Organizations



Velva Leah Crooks
Slagle Howard Day
Clay Garrison Eaves
Ellen Marie Evans

Kathy Dianne
Crowley
Josephine DeFatta
Michael Daniel
Echols
Richard Falkenberry

Deborah Lon Cryer
Joseph David Dover
Elizabeth Grace
Eglin
Kenneth Wayne
Faulkner

Anthony D'Anna
Mary Dula
Elizabeth Kendrick
Ellis
James Feducia



James Eugene Davis
John Hugh Durrett
Mary Celeste Ellis
Charles Edwin Fisher

Ruth Anne Davison
Mark Fuller Dutton
Charles Jack Eslick
Susan Fleming

Sciences Increased SOPHOMORES'



Kathy Crowley and Charlene Gutschow observed the careful actions of Noell Whatley as he dissected a common earthworm in Mr. Leonard Conner's biology class.



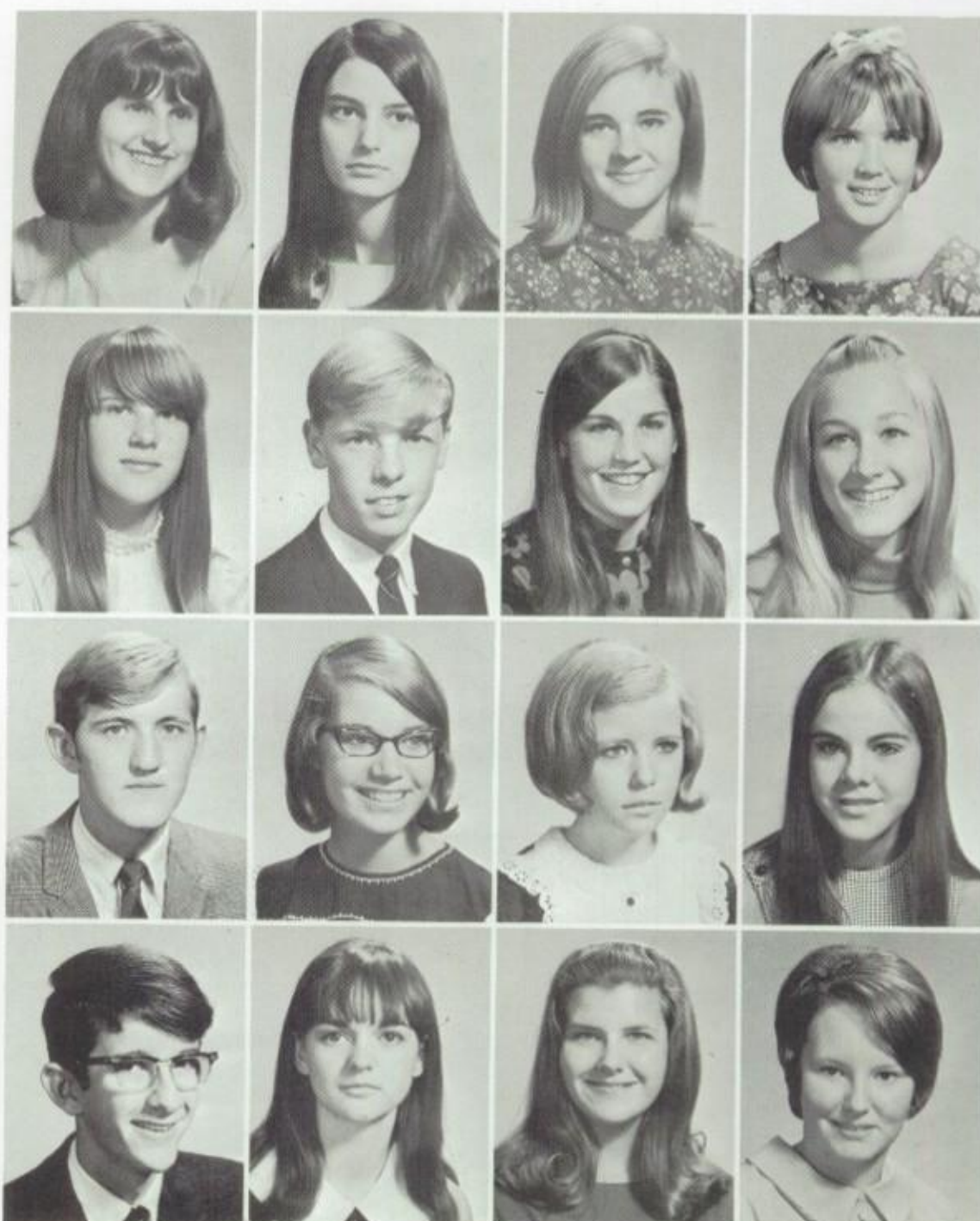
James Richard
Ford
Chuck Sneddon
Fulton

Ronald Glenn
Foster
Carol Ann Gagnard



Jodie Lavelle Gary
Joan Elizabeth
Gresham
William Edward
Harkins
Thomas Michael
Hicks

Leon Jacques
Gibert
Howard James
Griffin
Kathryn Louise
Harlan
George Egan
Hodges



Patricia Ann
Gordey
Carlene Dale
Gutschow
Tommy Charles
Harper
Steven John
Holcomb

Avis Patricia
Gordon
Stephen Forrest
Hall
Karen Hawkins
Mary Katherine
Holland

Gayl Judy Graham
Stephannie Anne
Hanna
Dorothy Jean
Henderson
Karla Risdon
Holomon

Sharon Gay
Graham
Vickie Sue
Hardgrove
Frances Epps
Henderson
Rozlyn Ann Hudson

Awareness of the World Around Them



Tru Lynn
Humphrey
Eric Johnson

William Orie
Hunter
Virgil Winfred
Johnson



Sandra Kay Huston
William Robert
Johnson



Ronald Lee
Jacobs
Christine Johnston



Shirley Joan
Jacques
Donna Jeane
Jones



Susan Colleen
Jantroid
Laura Thornton
Jones



Nick Stanley
Jordan
Kevin Kinmon
Elizabeth Jett
Lagersen
Taylor Stanley
Linn

Lillian Frances
Kayser
Kathleen Genevieve
Kite
Jo Ann Landers
Jacqueline Marie
Littell

Diane Mary Kee
Lorraine Vicky
Knabenshue
Elizabeth Lee Law
Stella Ann
Lockwood

Edwin Forrest King
Charles Daniel
Knight
Richard David
Leber
Malcolm Lohnes

James King
Timothy Kevin
Kramer
Pamela Susan
Leone
Deborah Eula
Lomax

Mary March King
Darlene LaFitte
Clyde Wyatt
Lightfoot
Walter David Lyles



Mike Malec, Tommie Ashley, Darlene LaFitte and Jo Ann Small gained a better understanding of Shakespeare's *Julius Caesar* through projects in Miss Virginia Chadick's English II class.



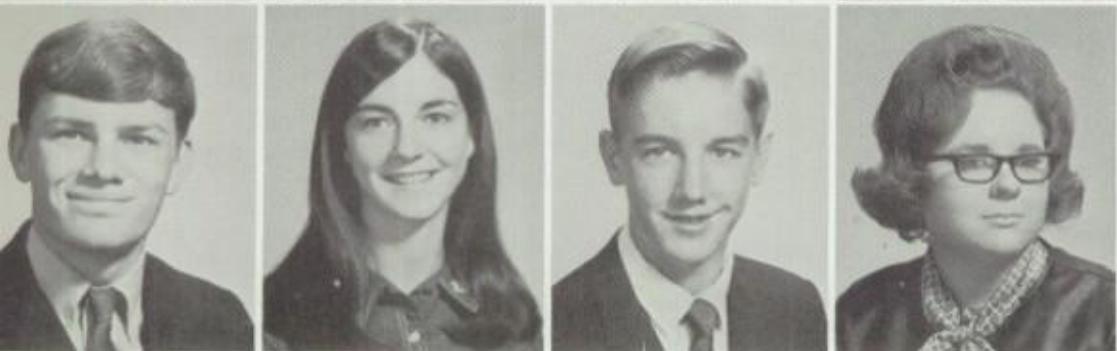
Clifford David
Lynam
Andrew Keenan
McConico



John Matthew
McBride
Will Bullifih
McConico

Randall Marshall
McCall
Glenda Mary
McCormick

English Was the Key to



Sally Jeter
McCreight
John Thomas
McJunkins
Scott Robert
Merolla
Wayne Othomar
Moore

Will Dickson
McCrocklin
Mary Ann McLure
Docia Milloy
Valerie Lovelace
Morelock

John William
McCutchen
Michael Mathew
Malec
Peter Minder
Stephen Alligood
Morris

Thomas Andrew
McDaniel
Geraldine Sue
Marley
George Peter
Moncrief
Cynthia Ann
Munch

Shirley Virginia
McElduff
Gregory Paul
Massey
William Michael
Monsour
Susan Elizabeth
Murdock

Pamela Ann
McIntosh
Marvin James Mays
Dewanna Lee
Montgomery
Alan Whyte
Murphy



Cynthia Elaine
Murphy
David Michael
Noble

Cynthia Craig
Murrell
Mary Frances
Norris



Linda Sue Nance
Eula Jane Norton



Carmen Ann
Narcolli
Rebecca Susan
Palmer



George Allen
Howard
Newcombe
Thomas Edward
Palmer



Harvey Lee Nichols
Cleveland Thomas
Parks

SOPHOMORES' Academic Success



Katie LaVerne
Parks
Leah Pomeroy
Steven Taylor
Redden
Nicholas Rodney
Roppolo

Daniel Wayne
Philen
Deborah Ann Price
Donald
Reichenbach
Sherry Lynn
Russell



Hutch Phillips
Joanna Price
Deborah Richardson
Marilyn Kay
Satcher



Gail Shirley
Pickle
Mary Helen Quint
Lynn Mackey
Rigdon
Jane Scarborough



Faye Glenda Pierce
Thomas Richard
Rademacher
Aubry Robinson
Merrill Scarborough



Michael Joseph
Pilgreen
Stephen Edward
Ramey
Patricia Lucille
Robinson
Thomas Lane Scott

SOPHOMORES Learned of Other



Rue Daniel
Sepulvado
Roaslyn Renee
Skannal
Theresa Kay Smith
Catherine Hall
Sterbenz

William Frank
Seymour
Betty Sloan
John Jeff
Sonnenberger
Diane Stigall



Claire Margaret
Shaw
Jo Ann Small
Gaynell Stacy
Michael Stone



William Clyde
Shaw
Elizabeth Anne
Smith
Jacqueline Stanley
Crawford David
Strain



James Frank
Shuey
Lynn Diane Smith
Kathy Ilene
Statham
Robert Eugene
Strong



Jerry Renay
Simonds
Rebecca Annette
Smith
Michael Lynn
Stephens
Jane Sullivan



Michael Ray
Swafford
William Thomas



Richard Maicom
Swafford
Lamar Thompson



Steven Alex
Telischak
Shirel Pagie
Thompson



John Kanstantine
Theo
Louise Anita
Tombleson



Gregory Joseph
Thibodeaux
Martha Tooke



Patricia Jill
Thomas
Sammuel Everett
Toomey

Cultures Through Foreign Languages



Texas Mitchell
Tucker
Pamela Kay
Wallace
Glenda Lynn
Weaver
Waldron Noell
Whatley

Donald Ray Turner
Laura Hope Walton
Lynda Glen Weaver
Lewis Dean
Wheeler

Shirley Turner
Leighton Wilson
Warren
Julie Anne
Weimar
William David
Whitener

Robert Clifton
Tyson
Leslie Watkins
Randall George
West
Joseph Sylvester
Wolfinger



Deborah Ann Vavra
Stephanie Watkins
Terry Neel
Westmoreland
Virginia Lea Wood

Dorothy McClendon
Wafer
Shelly Ruth
Watson
Marguerite Frances
Whatley
Ned Delany
Wright



William Daniel
Wright
Robert McConnell
Young

David Claude
Yeager
Stephen Youra



Perry Peyton pointed out some of the beauties of the area called "Mancha Land" where the mythical Don Quixote was believed to have lived. Susan Fleming and Texas Tucker were also members of the panel reporting on Spanish history.



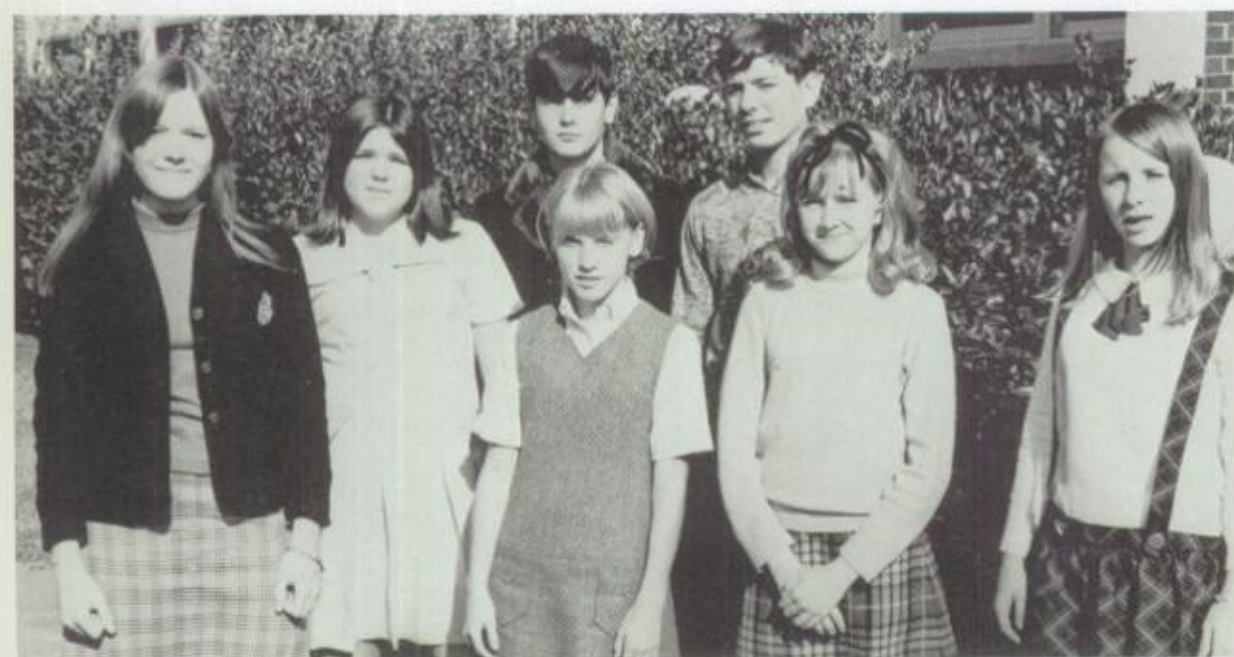
Elected to serve as Freshman Class Officers were: *Front row:* Cathy Shriver, Secretary; Delma Mason, Treasurer; Ronald Strong, Parliamentarian. *Second row:* John Farley, Sgt.-at-Arms; James Roach, President; Richard Head, Vice President.

FRESHMAN class was reestablished

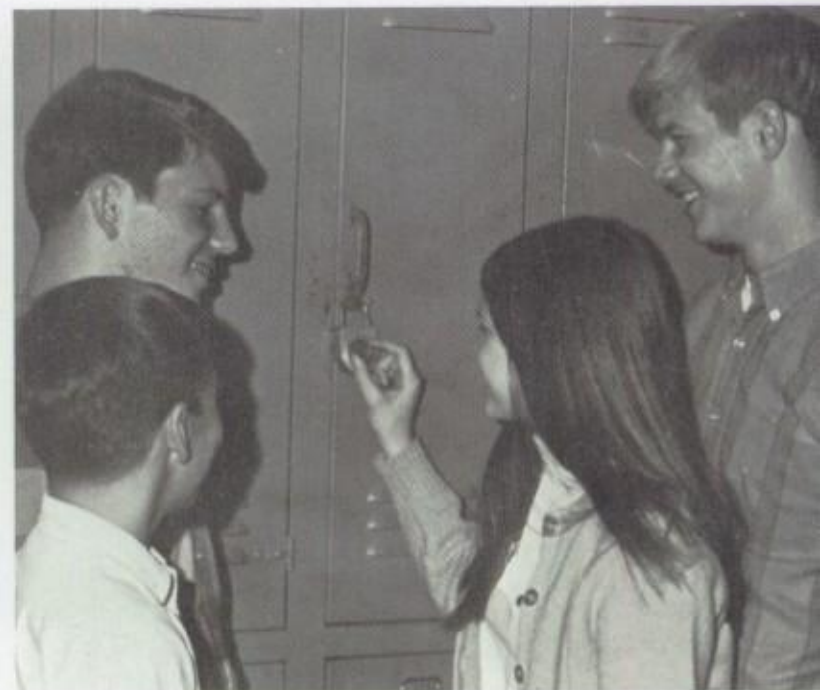
For the first time since 1959, the halls of Byrd reopened to welcome a Freshman class. After thirty-four years of our school's existence, junior high schools—Hamilton Terrace, Linwood, and Broadmoor—were built which included in their enrollment 7th, 8th, and 9th graders. On a strictly volunteer basis, ninety of the lower classmen attended Byrd in the 1968-69 school year. Here they excelled in all phases of scholarship, sports, and activities. Some were on football and basketball teams; some served as Student Council representatives and alternates; many played in the Marching Band and sang in the Concert Choir; others joined clubs such as the Latin Forum, Los Vecinos, Math Club, and Science Club. The fact that freshmen are surrounded by a four-year high school environment, instead of three, should prove to be beneficial to both the school and the individual.



Freshman English classes were rather unique, for there were only two of them. Through this required subject, students were acquainted with literature and grammar, from the strange world of Pip and Miss Havesham in *GREAT EXPECTATIONS* to the somewhat perplexing study of punctuation, sentence structure, and word usage.



It was an honor in itself to be nominated by the freshman class to run for class offices. Those chosen were: *Front row:* Donna Evans, Debbie Valentine, Debbie Newman, Debbie Wall. *Second row:* Carolyn Hatcher, Richard Simmons, and Cecil Scarborough.



Freshman lockers were a new part of the world of Byrd. Karen Hadley, having a little difficulty, was aided by John Cascio, James Roach, and Doug Rymer.

FRESHMEN Entered Byrd with Eagerness



Rebecca Lynn
Allen
Denise Carol Bode

Margie Lynn Belk
Kathleen Cecelia
Brady

Roslyn Theresa
Birdwell
Karen Lynn
Branham



Each student is responsible for one bulletin board display in English I. Helping with the display designed by Gerald McCarty were Tim McJunkins, Bobbie Davis and Richard Head.



Philip Gerald
Bruno
Michael Lewis
Collingsworth

Priscilla Anne
Carter
Keith Raymond
Cotten

John Andrew
Cascio
Brenda Laverne
Day

Laura Teresa
Cascio
Mary Frances Deen

Ronald Paul Cicero
Susan Dianne
Delude



Susan Lorelle
Donahoe

Diane Ivy Drennan

Richard Edward
Dudley

John Paul Dugger

Judith Dean Echols

Donna Lonesia
Evans

Richard Earl
Fallis

FRESHMEN Participated in



John Donell Farly
Glen Edward Gary

Alice Marie
Fenton
Rachel Ginsburg

Martha Ruth
Fuller
Virginia Kay
Grounds



Freshmen in Coach John Rogers civics class proved they were as much a part of Byrd in their first year as anyone else by donning western outfits on Go-West Day.



Robert Hamm
Hubert Irving Hunt

Carolyn Sue Hatcher
Carla Jean
Jantuold

Richard Head
Michael Louis
Kimball

Louis Lindy
Hendrick
Timothy Alan
McJunkins

Tim Richard Holt
Gerald Emil
McCarty



Albert McWilliams

Constance Arlesia
Malry

Delma Elizabeth
Mason

Ortha James
Morgan

Robert Alvin
Myles

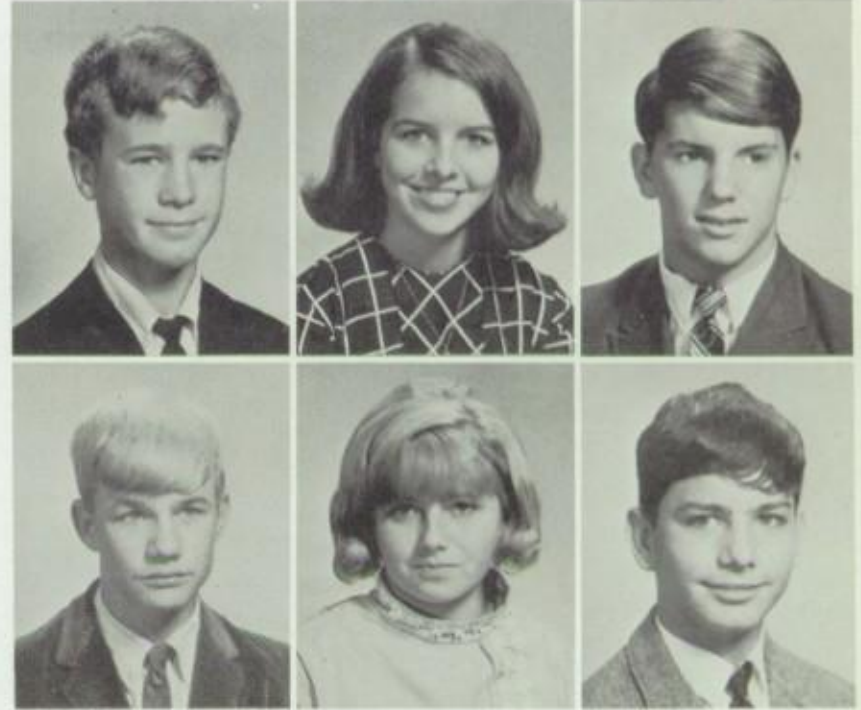
Deborah Elizabeth
Newman

Mike Dennies
Posey

Spirit Stick Competition



Freshmen in Mr. Johnny Harkness's Algebra I class worked on first degree equations.



James Clyde Prine
Harold Douglass
Rymer

Dorothy Matthele
Richardson
Jean Sanders

James Roach
Cecil Dean
Scarborough



Catherine Rita
Shriver
Ronald Lee Strong

Richard Mark
Simmons
Michael Raymond
Tanner

Genet Ellen
Smith
Paul Robert
Taylor

Dolores Ann
Stiles
Shereyln Rose
Tomkies

Kathy Sue
Stoddard
Deborah Irene
Tyson



Deborah Marie
Valentine

Debra Kay Wall

Fred Andrew
Walton

Brenda Joyce
Weaver

Anita Katherine
Woodley

Kathy Jean
Wurtzburger



ADVERTISING, ONE OF THE "THINGS THAT COUNT," fills our lives each day. Bell Telephone, a large public utility in our city, is a major advertiser, as well as a means of advertising. Seniors who visited there are: Patti Falk, Student Council Executive Committee; Leroy Foster, Advertising Manager, "High Life"; Neal Creamer, GUSHER Staff; Patti Whited, N.F.L.; Cindy Dorfman, Presiding Officer, Southern Association of Student Councils; Pam Lynn, GUSHER Staff; Collins Nix, Secretary, Interact; Joe DiFillipo, Citizen of the Month; Peggy Allen, Miss Mistletoe; and Cindy Norman, Basketball Sweetheart.



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Mike Sumter popped open a sparkling bottle of grape juice while last year's Junior Prom Court celebrated before their presentation. This is just one of the many forms of entertainment which every Byrd student may sometime enjoy.



Another source of enjoyment that provided a variety of entertainment throughout the year to the student body were assemblies such as this one, during which the 1969 Senior Favorites were presented by the GUSHER staff.



Many boys such as Bill Boddie, who attempted to try the impossible, enjoyed testing their skill and agility at one of the most popular events of the Byrd Carnival—the greased pole. This annual event sponsored by the Pep Squad offers yearly pleasure and enjoyment to every student who participates.

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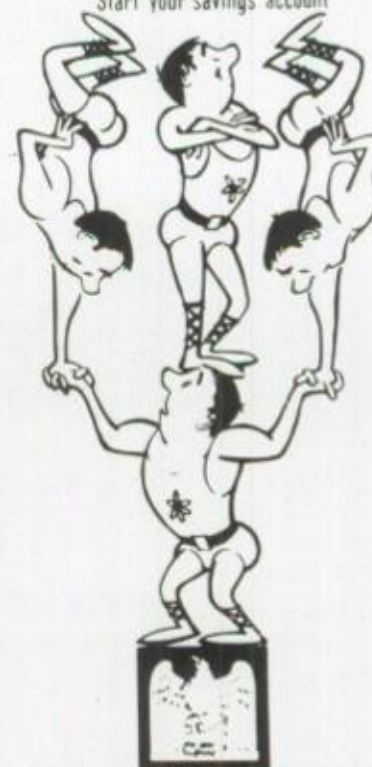
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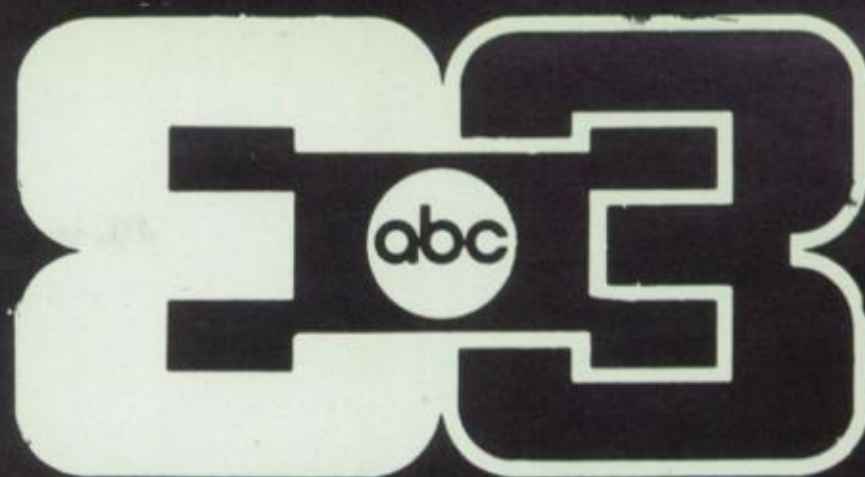
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Pep Squad released balloons in hopes of a winning game as the football team burst through the victory hoop preceding the Airline game.



Prissy, alias Peggy Allen, and Scarlet O'Hara, alias Richie Woodall, carried on an amusing conversation during the Captain Shreve assembly "Went With the Wind."



Before the Peep Show the "beautiful and stunning Miss Dickie Griender" had a little trouble in adjusting "her" stockings, but Kayla Vaughn and Catherine Murrell offered their valuable assistance.



Passing in review on Texas Street, the Patton Platoon was one of the Byrd units in the State Fair Parade.



While reading the Byrd "High Life," students relived the days of the "Wild West" in their colorful western outfits.



Gay Greengus, Pat Aldwell, and Ann Levy accepted Bob Kyle's and Ray Benard's voter registrations for the 1968-69 Student Council elections.



Byrd Varsity and coaching staff expectantly await the outcome of a power drive for a first down during the Captain Shreve game.



These unfortunate Juniors, Rebel Brown, Betty Shields, Candy Covington, Mary Daniel Long, and Susan Young were caught in a trap on last year's Senior Day.

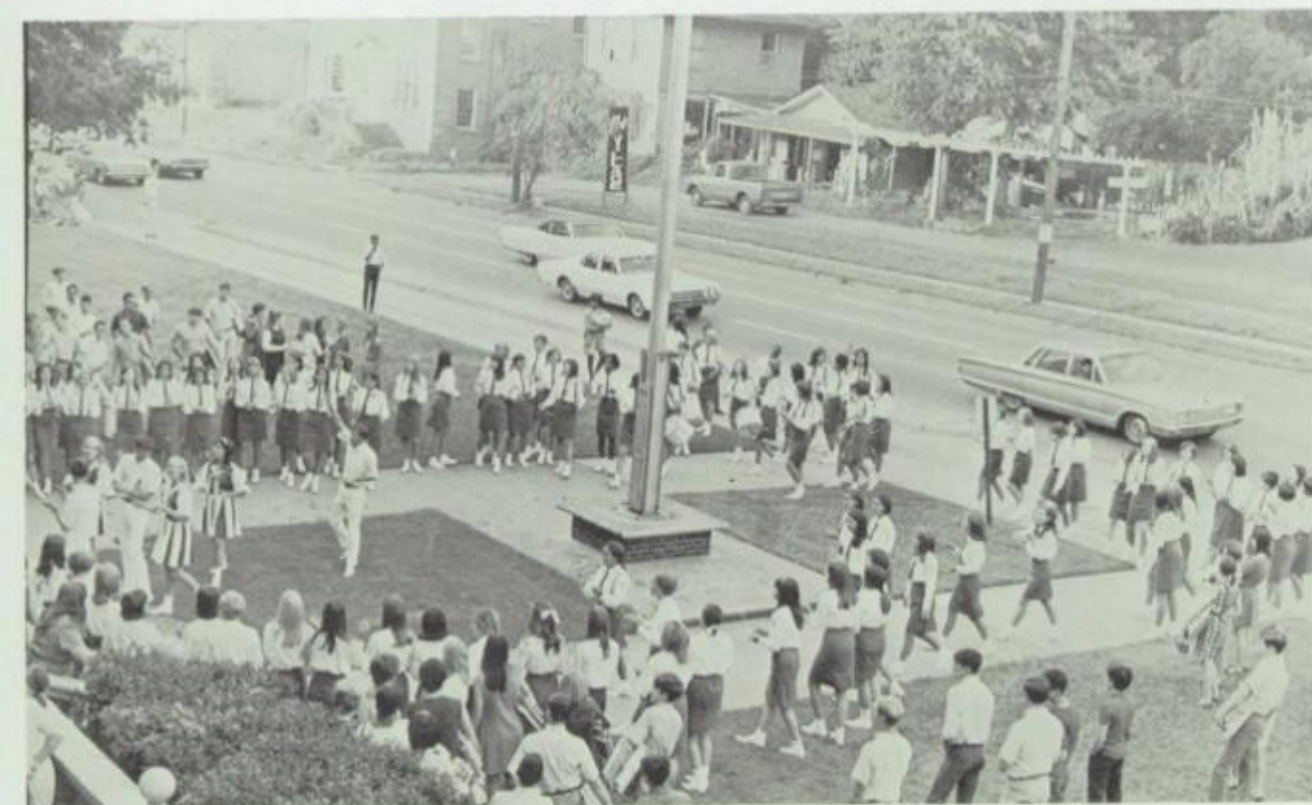
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Juniors also participated in Go West activities and joined in with the festive mood.



These Mechanical Drawing students, Tom Tombleson, Robert Tyson and Mike Noble learned the different techniques and skills of drafting.



Cheerleaders and the student body demonstrated "true Jacket spirit" with a rousing yell of support for the football team in a pep rally before school.



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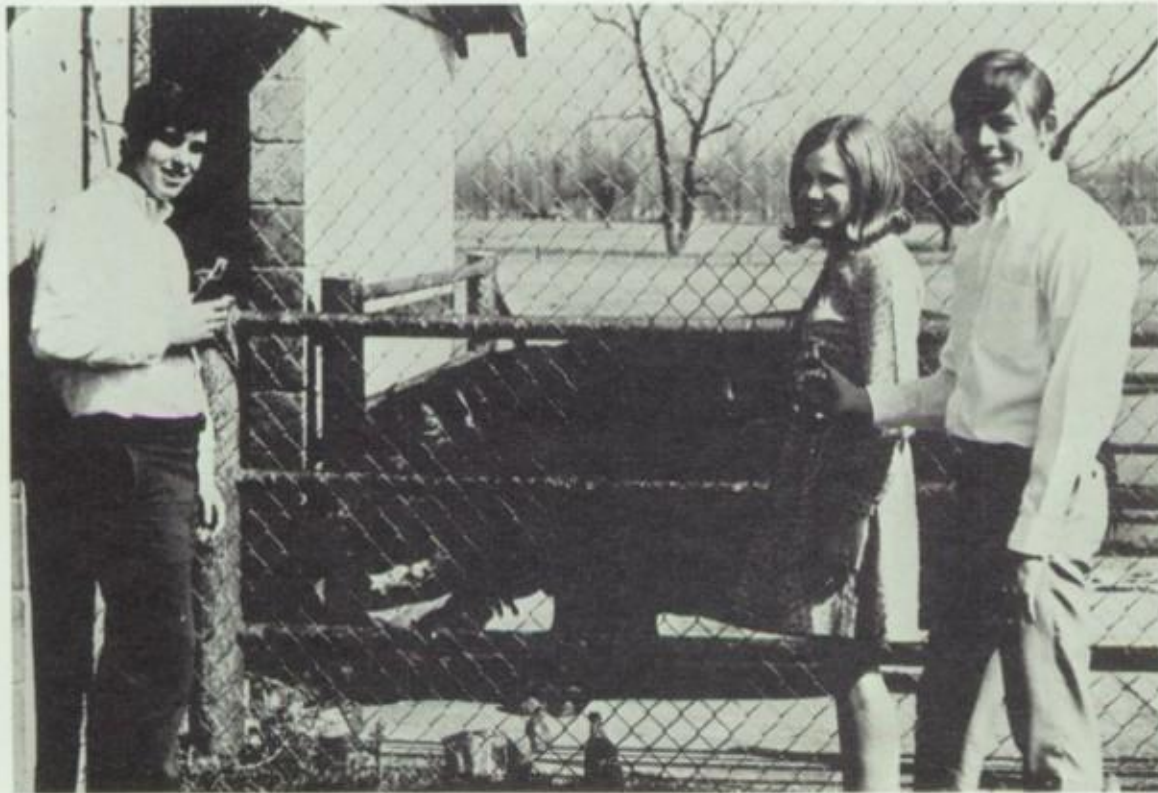
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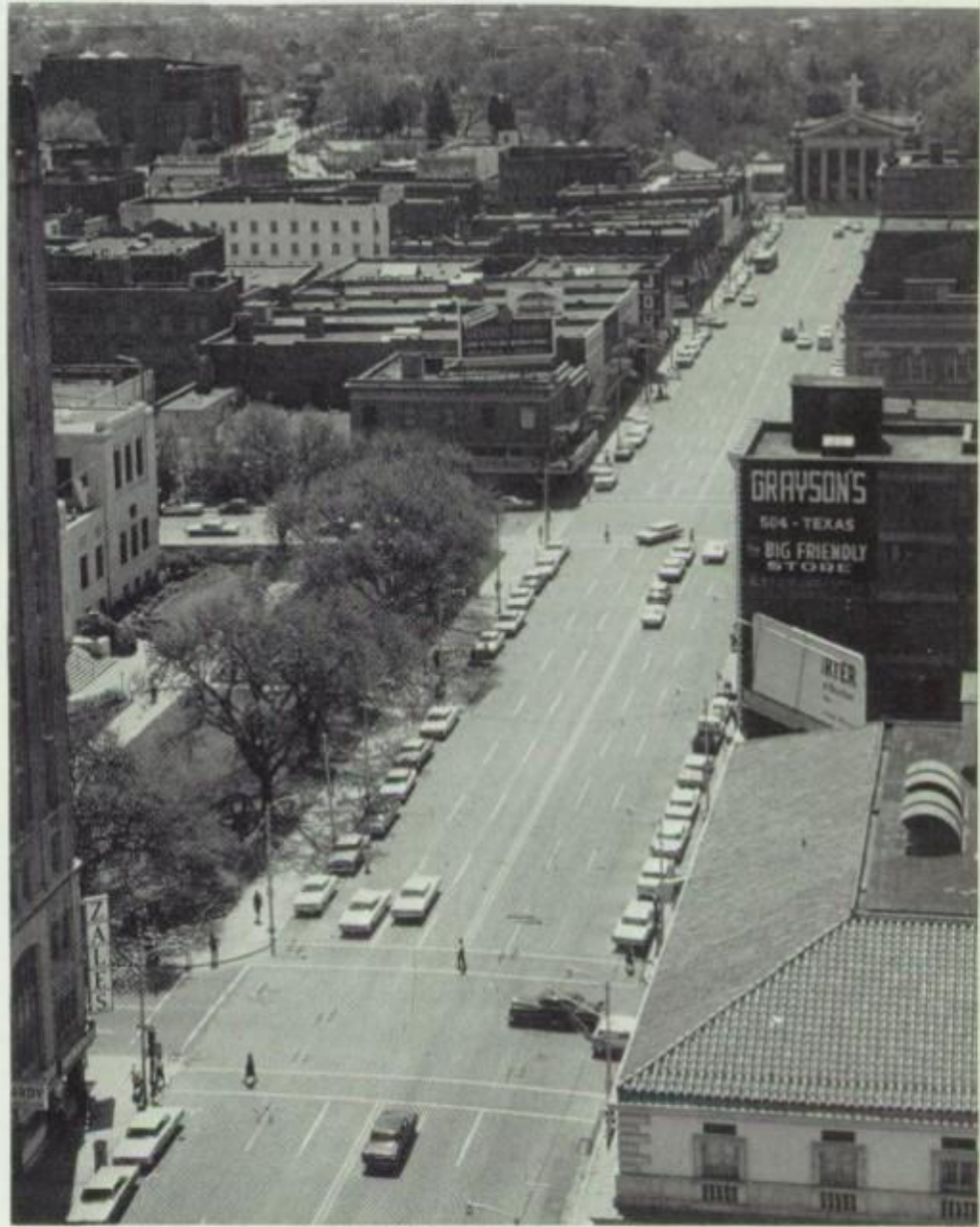
Our industrial society depends upon business to supply their ever-mounting wants. Industry is constantly striving to fulfill this need by its continual desire to challenge, to examine, to improve, and to perfect. It is this sustaining force that has been the catalyst of our economic society, bringing America up to a greater level of achievement and dynamic leadership than any other nation in the world. It is this never-ending demand that has brought such revolutions in living standards that it staggers the human imagination. As Leslie B. Worthington, Pres. of U.S. Steel Corporation once said: "American business is merely the supplying of people's wants and needs, and it takes intelligence, foresight, perseverance, imagination, creativity and courage to conduct it successfully."

And so the American enterprise system continues to challenge, to excite the imagination, and to evolve towards still greater accomplishments. Its avenues are always open to those who are willing to tread the path. Truthfully it can be said that industry has made America the "land of opportunity." These closing words by Thomas Woolfe seem to best exemplify this spirit of opportunity which American industry affords:

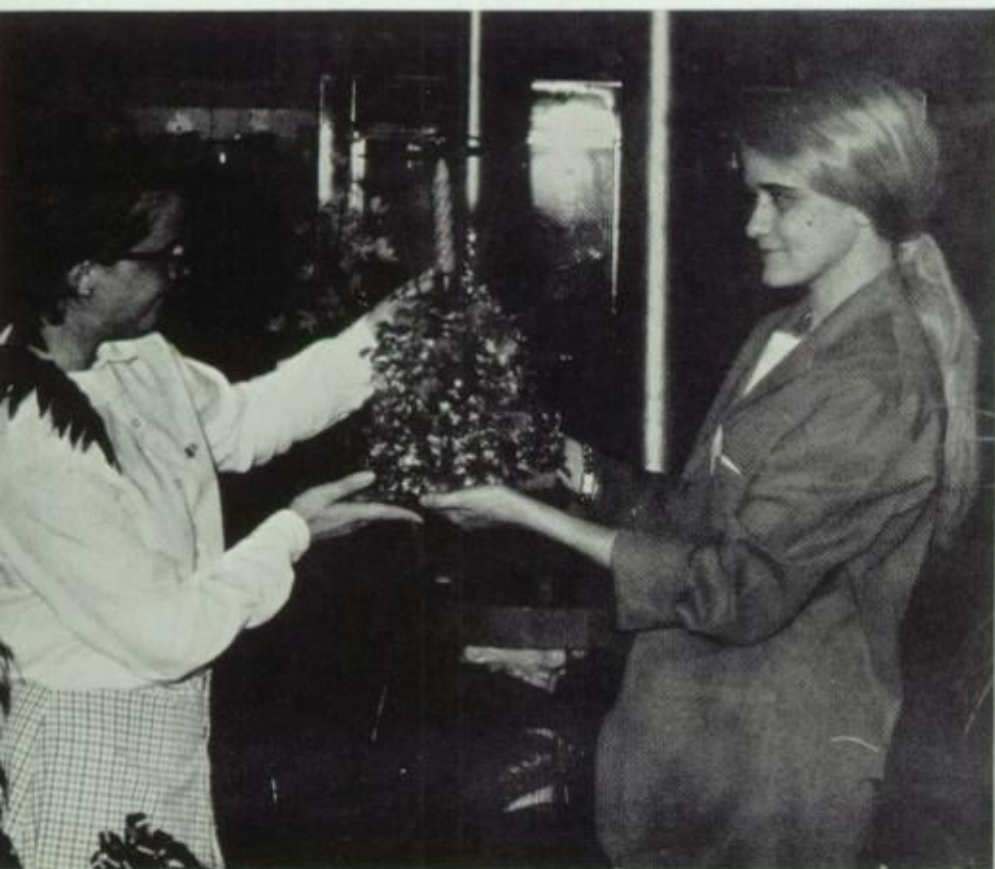
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Georgia Jobron, one of the many students participating in the Distributive Education program at Byrd, encouraged this customer to buy a plant at one of the local florist shops. D.E. students form another important part of Shreveport's industry.



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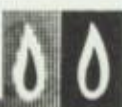
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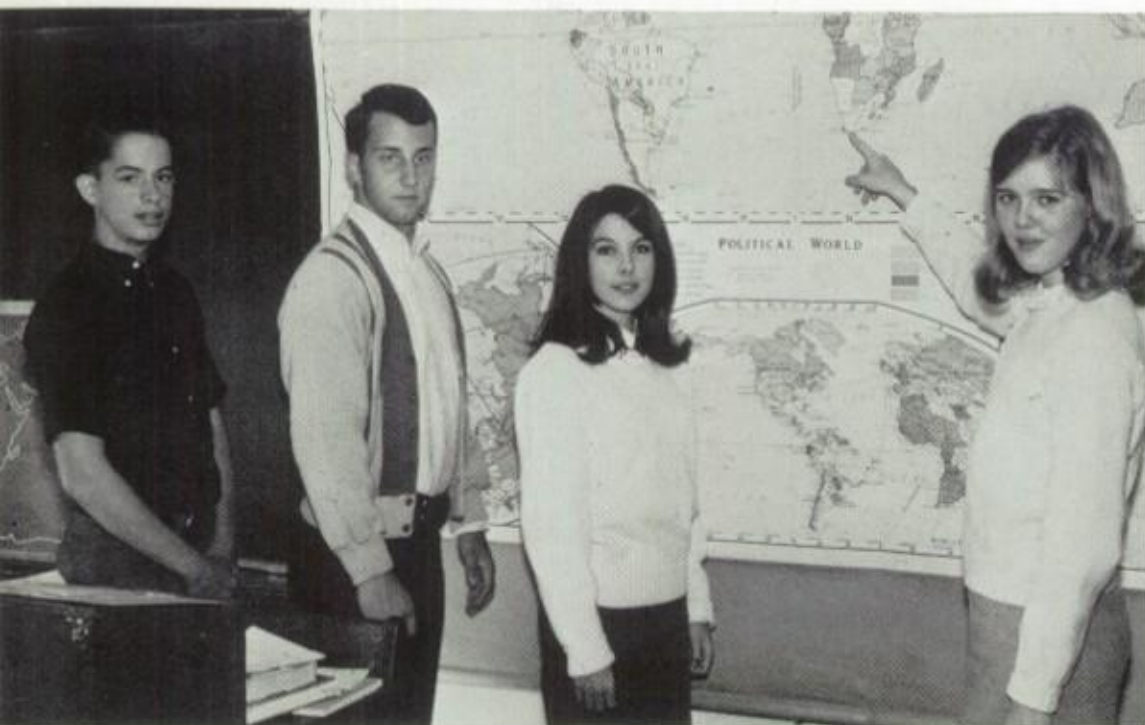
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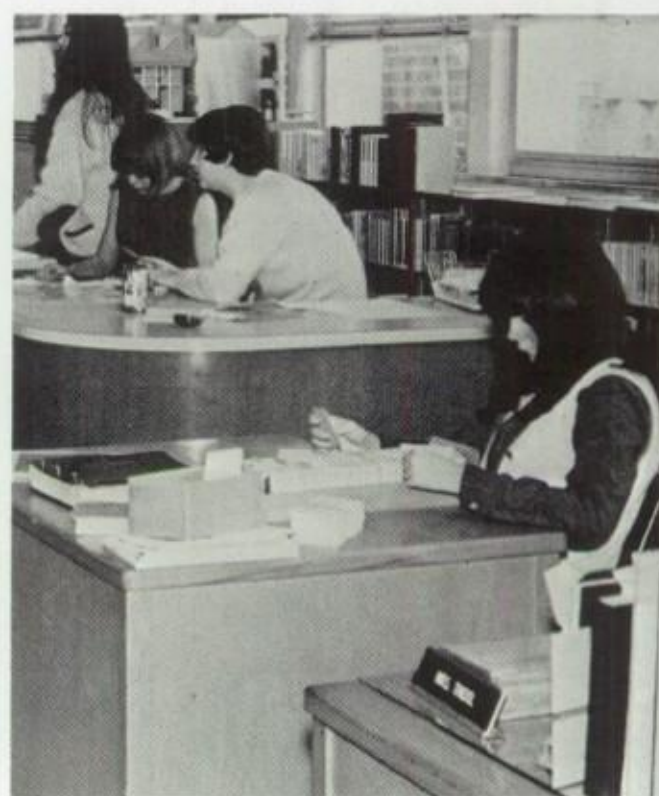
During World Geography, Judy Hitchcock pointed out an African country to fellow classmates, Chuck Johnson, Bill Parker, and Kristi Peninger.



Latin Forum members who participated in the city-wide J.C.L. Field Day, in which Byrd took first place, were Whitney Quinn, Trisha Murphy, and Cesca Russell.



Donna Jones, Linda Abercrombie, Joe Malec, Becky Palmer, and David Strain were among the many underclassmen who took an active part in studying Biology at Byrd.



Workers, such as these, played an important part in helping Byrd's library to run efficiently and smoothly.



Sandy Verhalen, with the assistance of other Gayarre members, decorated the Christmas tree during their annual party.



At the R.O.T.C. assembly, students demonstrated patriotism and respect for the flag while the National Anthem was being played.

INDUSTRY Brought Jackets Honors



Included among the required reading material of the Sophomore class is Shakespeare's "Julius Caesar." Joe Wolfinger, Tru Lyn Humphrey, Lucien Blansett, Dale Baldree and Billy Wright, members of Mrs. Barbara Lockner's English II class were among the many who read this play and prepared individual projects.



Officers Sandy Collins and Oliver Carroll proudly display the different R.O.T.C. uniforms on Go-To-School Night.



Shirley Narajo, Kay Corbin, and Marcia Rogers learned not only how to bake a delicious cake in Home Economics, but also, they developed proficiency in other homemaking skills which would help them in later life.



These members of the National Thespian Society enjoyed their annual Christmas party.



Humanity students, Chris Gresham, Lynn McMahon, Nancy Nader, and Jo Ann Reeks watched a film pertaining to Renaissance Art.



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And within our growing metropolis, many industries are constantly performing distinct and worthwhile public

services. Many businesses, such as, grocery stores, filling stations, and banks have as their sole objective the desire to serve. Their main goal is aimed towards fulfilling the every desire of their customers. It is this service ideal that has been the soul of the American free enterprise system, establishing the United States as the most powerful nation in the world today. It is this ideal that has brought about such major social reforms and technological advances that it would stagger the imagination of our forefathers.

Without this desire to serve, business transactions would cease, industry would fail, and life would be at a standstill. Truly it can be said that this ideal of service has been the lifeblood of our community, the sustaining force of our nation, and the hope of the world.



The officers and Executive Committee of the Student Council, probably the most important service organization at Byrd, listened to Mr. J. H. Duncan's speech prior to their introduction.



Patti Falk, Rebel Brown, Nancy Coats, and Betty Shields supervised the Red Cross booths on Go-To-School-Night. For the past two years "Z" Club, a national girl's service organization, has set up different displays representing the various extracurricular activities and organizations at Byrd in order to inform parents about these club's functions and purposes.



This man in the raincoat, Mr. J. H. Duncan, truly represented the symbol of service at Byrd.



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And the long day begins with the early morning crowd exchanging notes, jokes, and gossip.



R.O.T.C. demonstrated their marching ability with perfect precision during the Holiday in Dixie parade.



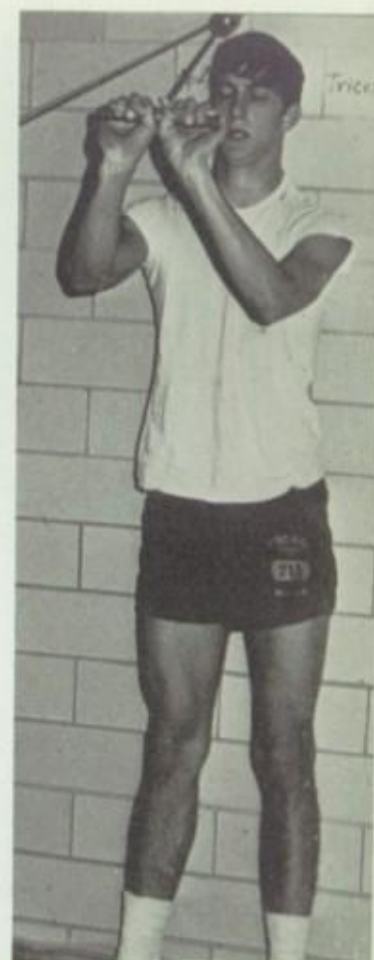
Throughout the year the lunchroom was crowded with students waiting to buy the nutritious lunches which Mrs. Waters and her cafeteria staff worked hard each day to prepare.



Students stood with excited anticipation as the victory flag was raised following Byrd's 20-14 win over Fairpark.



Pep Squad helped cheer the Jacket Basketball team on to a 91-75 victory over the Northwood Falcons.



David Adams, in "fine form," worked out on the tricep pull which many of Byrd's athletes used to develop stronger muscles.



Neville Tigers met sad fateful end as the cheerleaders led the student body in a rousing cheer of victory.



Football players waited in tense anticipation during their pre-game preparations before the Woodlawn game.

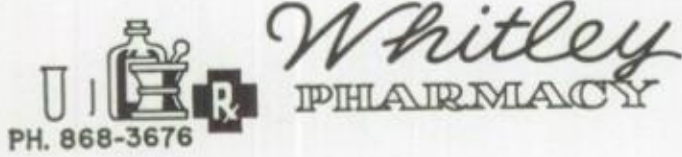


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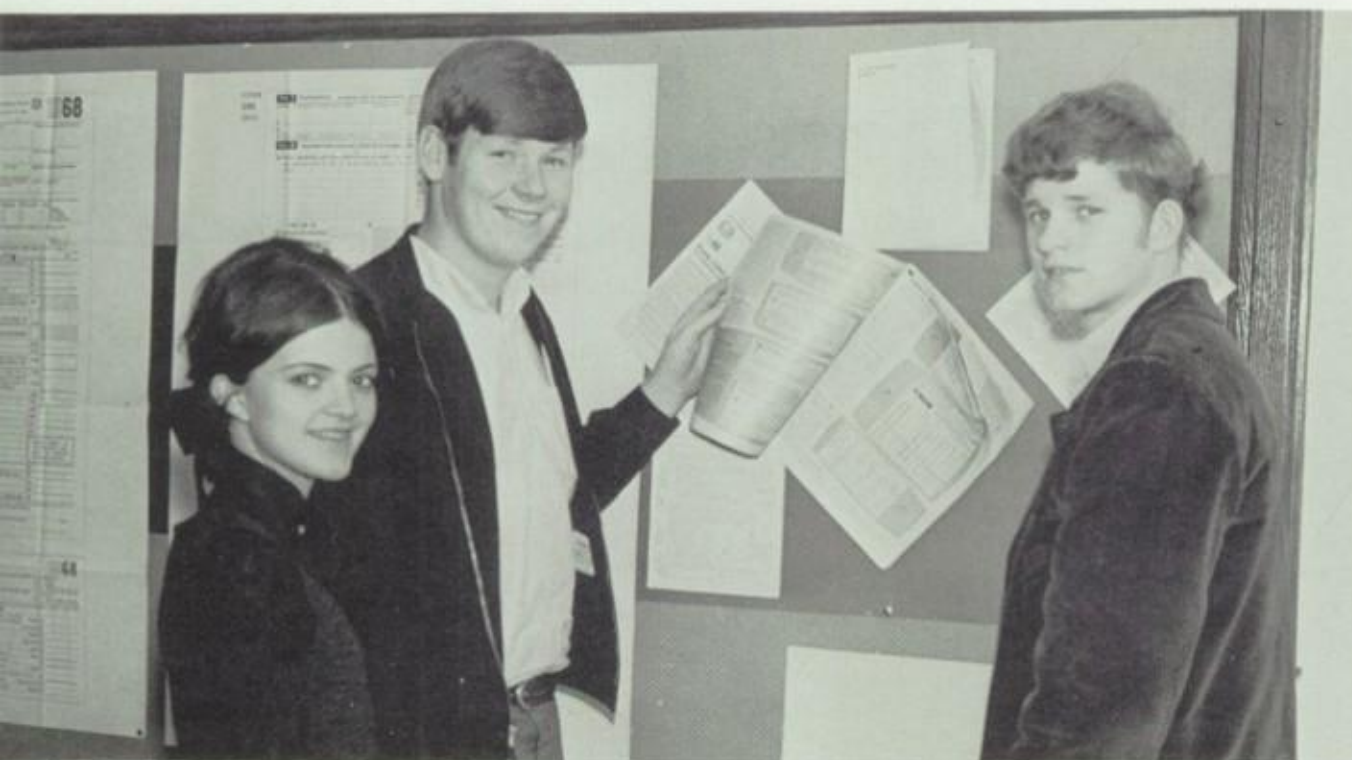
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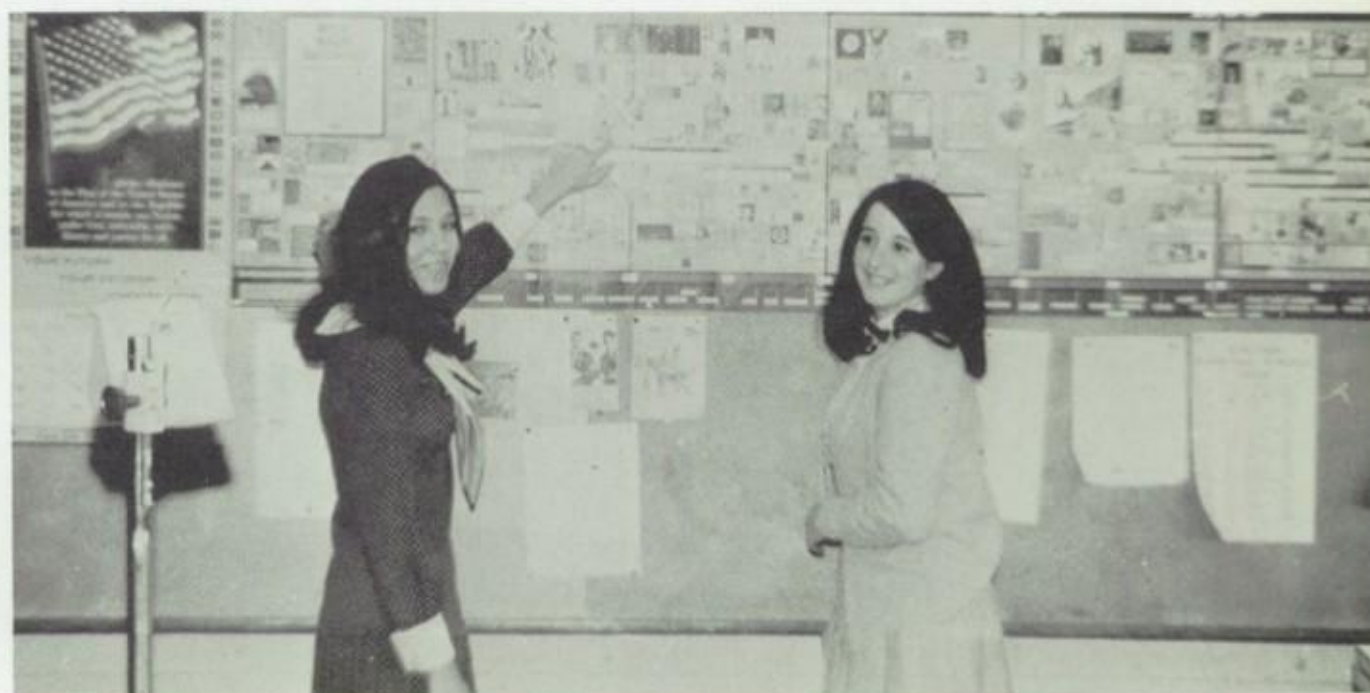
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A history chart of mathematicians from 1000 to 1900 made an interesting bulletin board for an algebra II class. Gail Kottle and Betsy Roos pointed out the works of Fibonacci, adopter of Arabian algebra.



Centenary College is one of the "THINGS THAT COUNT." It not only provides superior education, but also beauty and relaxation in its gardens. Seniors walking through the garden are: (*Bottom*) Richard Boyce, Commander, Patton Platoon; John Zenter, All State Band; Nancy Dinkins, Secretary, "Z" Club; Kathleen Mitchell, Top 25; Bill Sample, Red Cross Executive Committee; (*Top*) Nancy Spencer, Basketball Sweetheart; John Payne, Basketball; Gay Greengus, Pep Squad Vice-President; Ginger Hagens, GUSHER Staff; and Debbie Pomeroy, Managing Editor, "High Life."



We have now reached the end of the yearbook, signaling the end of another school year. In this year's GUSHER we have tried to focus upon what we believe to be the "things that count" at Byrd—ACTIVITIES, COMPETITION, PERSONALITIES, and ADVERTISING. However, these same elements may be found to "count" not only at Byrd, but also in life as well. Life is full of various types of activity. The world today is a competitive one that presents many challenges to those brave enough to seek them. Life is the story of people, and there are as many different types of personalities as there are human beings on the earth. It is the understanding of people that can make life an enjoyable experience or a terrible nightmare. Also, money and wealth are playing an increasingly important role in the world today.

Thus the real purpose of high school is brought out as an actual preparation for what lies ahead in life. Through activities one can explore his special interests and at the same time become a more rounded person. Competition teaches people to set goals and strive in attempt to reach them. High school provides students an excellent opportunity to meet and get to know many different types of people. Advertising enables students to realize the role of money and put it in its proper perspective. All of these aspects of life are essential in forming a well rounded individual. Byrd High is an excellent place to learn about and experience these things before stepping out into life and the world. Byrd itself is truly one of the "THINGS THAT COUNT."

The Things That Count

"... That You Have Lived It Well."

Dear Cathy,

It's hard to think of
something nice to say... oh well.
You've really been a great "edition",
to the yearbook staff (weak!) I'm
really sorry we weren't in some classes
together this year, but I suppose
it's good (we really wouldn't have
graduated!) Are we gonna have fun
at L.S.U. next year? "Go to Hell Ole'
Miss!!". Some day will have to go
back shooting again ~~some day~~ (we're
such mature seniors!) Keep on keepin'
on (oh no!!)

Love ya,
Ginger
SR '69

Sarah Catherine,
Well we've really had
a lot of fun dining at Gustaf,
on the football games (Boz) and
at the blues parties on the
at the dances at the lake and
all the times at the Friday
night. I'll miss
that crazy at crazy things!!
plus the crazy visit we'll
have. You think we'll
miss you. Love
Dorothy

"We'll be a big
happy family at LSU
next year. (HA!)
Have fun and hope
you'll sense of humor!"
Dorothy Lynn

Cathy - Of it wasn't for you, this Gusher
would be a flop (at least the music
section. After all, it is the most exotic
part of the book). Thank you. I came
to you as a girl-child & left as that
same girl-child, only one difference -
I could crop pictures. I've really
enjoyed working with you. Bestest
of everything. Love you!
Cindy

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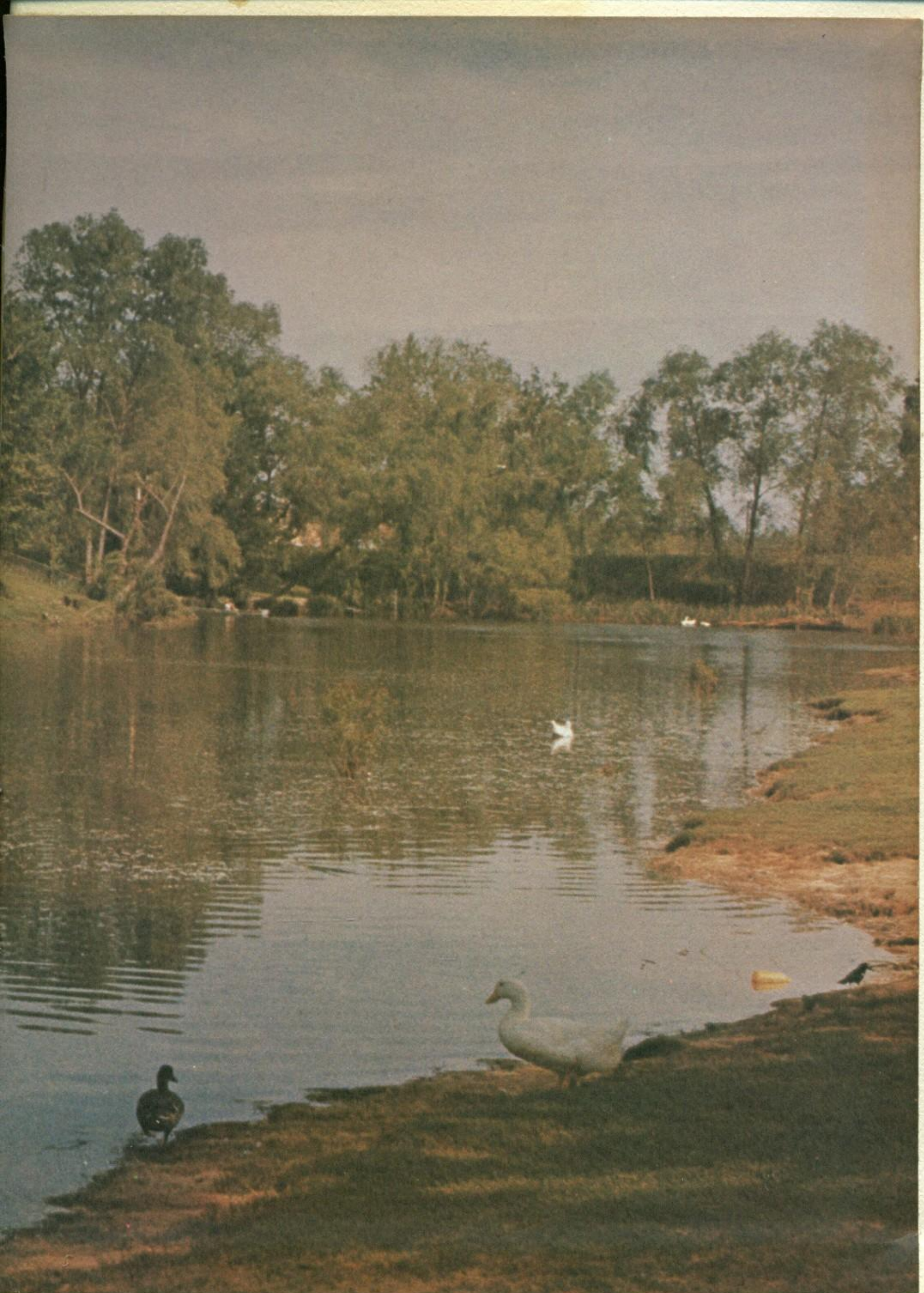
I hope you will learn
someday to stay out
of dives like the
Centenary Package Company
or whatever it's called.

Anyway that was fun
and we'll have to go
out more often. (not if
I can help it). Have
fun in Hawaii next
year.

Love ya,
Patty.

Cathy's trying
to get me a job, guess
I just ain't able. Well
I'll come laugh at you
this summer Be Good
and don't flirt w/ those
at the life guard.
Love ya
Patty





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